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**Automotive Aftermarket Association of the Carolinas and Tennessee
Announces 2013-2014 Scholarship Winners**

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – The Automotive Aftermarket Association of the Carolinas and Tennessee (AAACT) is pleased to announce the recipients of its scholarship for the 2014-2015 academic year. The recipients are:

- Sarah Kittrell of Morehead City, N.C. attending Carteret Community College and receiving a \$1000 award; and
- Courtney Freeman of Mount Olive, N.C. attending East Carolina University and receiving a \$500 award.

Applicants for AACT 2014-2015 scholarships were taken through the automotive scholarship Web site, www.automotivescholarships.com.

“AAACT is pleased to assist Sarah and Courtney as they pursue their education,” said Randy Lisk, executive vice president of AACT. “We are pleased to be a part of this effort to invest in our country’s future.”

“The students selected for AACT scholarships exemplify the outstanding applications received this year through the online application process,” said Pete Kornafel, chairman of the GAAS Scholarship Committee. “Through the efforts of AACT and other regional associations, along with the supporters of the GAAS scholarship fund, we are able to assist many students pursuing their dreams of higher education.”

In addition to AACT, GAAS collaborates with these state associations and other automotive groups:

- Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Minnesota (AASP-MN)
- Association of Diesel Specialists (ADS)
- Automotive Aftermarket Association Southeast (AAAS)
- Automotive Parts & Services Association (APSA)
- Automotive Parts and Service Association of Illinois (APSA of IL)
- California/Nevada/Arizona Automotive Wholesalers' Association (CAWA)

- Kentucky / Indiana Automotive Wholesalers Association (KIAWA)
- Michigan Automotive Parts Association (MAPA)
- Midwest Automotive Parts and Service Association (MAPSA)
- Mobile Air Conditioning Society (MACS)
- New York State Automotive Aftermarket Association (NYSAAA)
- Wisconsin Automotive Part Association (WAPA)

The following foundations and organizations also collaborate with GAAS to award scholarships:

- Auto Care Association
- Automotive Communication Council
- Breslow Foundation
- Dayco
- Gates Corporation
- Larry McCurdy Memorial Fund
- Leadership Development Network
- Michael Busch Memorial Fund
- Mitchell 1
- Multi Parts Supply
- National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE)
- Polk
- Standard Motor Products
- Stant Corporation
- University of the Aftermarket Foundation
- Women's Car Care Council (WB)

Additional scholarship funding comes from industry contributions provided by individuals, companies and foundations. Contributions can be made to the GAAS Scholarship Fund, c/o Susan Medick at the Auto Care Association, at 301-654-6664, or susan.medick@aftermarket.org.

About the GAAS Scholarship Program

The GAAS program is a joint professional education effort of the of the Alliance of State Automotive Aftermarket Associations (ASAAA), Auto Care Association, Automotive Aftermarket Suppliers Association (AASA), Automotive Industries Association (AIA) of Canada, Automotive Parts Remanufacturers Association (APRA), Automotive Service Association (ASA), Automotive Warehouse Distributors Association (AWDA), Motorist Assurance Program (MAP), Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA), Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA), Tire Industry Association (TIA) and University of the Aftermarket. Polk is the corporate sponsor of the Global Automotive Aftermarket Symposium. The event is made possible through the generous support of the University of the Aftermarket Foundation.

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