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*The ASWA 8th Annual Educational Foundation Recognizes
Elizabeth Kolar for Commitment to
Leadership*

Las Vegas, Nevada—The American Society of Women Accountants Educational Foundation (The Foundation) honors companies on the national, regional and local levels and individuals across the country for their commitment to work/life balance, leadership and financial literacy. These prestigious Awards – Balance Awards, Influential Woman of the Year Awards and Financial Literacy Award will be presented on Tuesday, October 20, 2009, at the American Society of Women Accountants (ASWA)/American Woman’s Society of CPAs (AWSCPA) Joint National Conference in Las Vegas. These awards highlight the accomplishments of distinguished individuals in the profession; companies that encourage their employees to balance work and life; and people committed to fostering financial literacy.

Elizabeth Kolar has won the Influential Woman of the Year – Northeast Region

Elizabeth Kolar is an Assistant Professor of Business Administration at Delaware Valley College, co-founder of Philadelphia CPA Review and recipient of PICPA’s Outstanding Educator Award for 2008.

“I am deeply honored to have been chosen to receive this award,” Kolar said.

After graduating from Pace University in New York, Kolar began her career in the mid-1980s in the accounting and auditing department at Coopers and Lybrand (now PricewaterhouseCoopers).. She has been teaching for more than 20 years at Pace, Seton Hall University, Bucks County Community College, and now with Delaware Valley College.

“I incorporate the CPA Exam into my classes and other outside skills that are important,” Kolar said. “I challenge them personally, professionally, and academically. I strive to inspire students to achieve their greatest potential.”

The *Influential Woman of the Year Awards* recognize individuals whose accomplishments and achievements distinguish them in the financial industry; who have demonstrated leadership and have mentored to others in their industry; and those who are committed and involved within their communities.

This national recognition, sponsored by Accountemps & Robert Half Finance and Accounting, rewards “best in market” companies whose commitment to work/life balance and individuals whose influence on others in the profession have placed them in the enviable position of earning the prestigious Foundation Award.

“The ASWA Educational Foundation is thrilled to honor this prestigious group of honorees this year,” said Mary Burns, CPA, Foundation Chair. “Even in tough economic times, these awards pay tribute to companies and individuals that are championing work/life balance, leadership and financial literacy in our profession.

About The ASWA Educational Foundation

The mission of The American Society of Women Accountants Educational Foundation (The Foundation) is to promote and advance financial literacy, scholarship and life skills through programs of recognition, mentoring, research and outreach. The Foundation sponsors the Foundation Awards each year to recognize the accomplishments of distinguished individuals in the profession; companies that encourage their employees to balance work and life; and people committed to fostering financial literacy. Additional Foundation programs include scholarships to encourage women professionals in the accounting fields to reach new levels of professional achievement and certification. For more information, please go to <http://www.aswa.org/foundation/foundation.html>.

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