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**Navarro College Professor Receives  
Outstanding Accounting Educator Award**

*Texas Society of CPAs Recognizes Cathy Scott for Excellence in Teaching and Active Service to the Accounting Profession*

DALLAS — Cathy Scott, associate professor of accounting at Navarro College in Corsicana, was named a 2014 recipient of the Texas Society of CPAs' (TSCPA) Outstanding Accounting Educator Award.

The statewide TSCPA Outstanding Accounting Educator Awards honor Texans who have demonstrated excellence in teaching and who have distinguished themselves through active service to the accounting profession. Criteria for judging includes instructional innovation, student motivation, the pursuit of learning opportunities for students, involvement in student and professional accounting organizations, and research accomplishments and publications.

Since she began teaching at Navarro College in 2007, Scott has been providing students with innovative learning tools and real-world problem solving skills, whether they're taking classes online or face-to-face. She utilizes the latest technology and iPad apps to help students stay on track, participate in class, and visualize complex accounting concepts. Examples of her innovative instruction include virtual guest speakers, the use of polling software to "check the pulse" of the classroom, Google Drive group projects, virtual office hours, and YouTube videos to supplement in-class instruction.

In addition to connecting students with real-world experiences, she serves as the department chair for the accounting program at Navarro College and helps students secure

practicum learning opportunities. Scott serves as the college liaison between students and the site manager at the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program and provides volunteer training for VITA participants every year.

Scott recently published her first solely authored textbook, *College Accounting: A Career Approach*. The book merges her professional experience with the fundamentals of college accounting. It also integrates QuickBooks and Excel software so students can learn career skill sets as they learn accounting.

Throughout her teaching career, Scott has earned numerous awards, including the American Accounting Association's Educator of the Year Award for 2012-2013 and Navarro College Foundation's Teaching Excellence Award in 2010. She is actively involved with TSCPA, American Accounting Association, Institute of Management Accountants, Teachers of Accounting at Two Year Colleges, and Texas Community College Teachers Association. Scott is also involved in multiple middle and high school outreach efforts to spark students' interest in accounting careers.

Scott will be recognized at an award ceremony held in conjunction with the annual TSCPA Accounting Education Conference that will take place October 24-25 in Austin, Texas.

### **About TSCPA**

TSCPA (<http://www.tscpa.org>) is a nonprofit, voluntary, professional organization representing Texas CPAs. The society has 20 local chapters statewide and has 27,000 members, one of the largest in-state memberships of any state CPA society in the United States. TSCPA is committed to serving the public interest with programs that advance the highest standards of ethics and practice within the CPA profession.

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