



Utah Credit Professional Debie Wangsgard Honored As Instructor of the Year *Award Presented by the National Association of Credit Management and Robert Half Finance & Accounting and Accountemps*

June 29, 2009: Columbia, Maryland—The National Association of Credit Management has recognized **Debie Wangsgard, CCE** as the 2009 NACM/Robert Half Finance & Accounting and Accountemps Instructor of the Year. The award was presented at NACM's 113th Annual Credit Congress, held in Orlando, Florida, June 14-17, 2009.

Among her many professional accomplishments, Debie Wangsgard is lauded for her empathetic, hands-on approach to teaching. An instructor in NACM's Credit Administration Program (CAP) since 1999, she has led a variety of courses in a variety of settings, including live seminars, phone-based and web conferencing. In order to mitigate the physical distance separating her from her students, Wangsgard has gone to great lengths to develop class materials that illuminate the often complex topics. One of her former students, Jason Delgadillo, CBA, noted, "Debie went to the extra effort to create slides and visual aides that would keep your attention in an online setting."

Wangsgard is direct in explaining why teaching appeals to her: "One of the things I love most about teaching is watching someone grow and become successful in their career as a credit manager." She added, "I cannot think of a better way to contribute to the business world than teaching and mentoring through the NACM Designation program. This is my way of giving back to those who gave so much to me over the years."

Wangsgard brings more than 30 years of credit management experience to her current position as corporate credit training manager for the Draper, Utah location of Stock Building Supply, which is based in Raleigh, North Carolina. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, she is an active member in the NACM Business Credit Services (BCS) affiliate based in Salt Lake City. The affiliate has recognized Wangsgard three times as its mentor of the year, most recently in 2008, and once as its credit executive of the year. Wangsgard also received the affiliate's CCE designation of excellence award.

In addition to her teaching responsibilities for NACM, Wangsgard has taught budgeting and personal credit skills to low-income inner-city residents during an 18-month period and has organized and participated in several humanitarian aid projects. Combined with her extensive professional experiences, Wangsgard presents a well-rounded perspective in her classroom. As Delgadillo explained, "Rarely do you have an instructor with such real life experiences [who] can teach from [those] experiences as well as teach with a passion that keeps the class intrigued by the subject matter."

The NACM-National Honors and Awards Committee bases its awards on a scoring system that rates nominees in nearly 50 areas of professional life, including their participation in NACM activities on the local and national levels, service on local and national industry credit groups, educational attainment in the credit field, continuing education participation, professional accomplishments and dedication to the profession.

The National Association of Credit Management warmly congratulates Ms. Wangsgard on her receipt of this distinguished award.

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