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## **WCR Madison Metro Chapter Awarded Chapter of the Year Award**

(Middleton, WI ) Jennifer Utter, President, Madison Metro Chapter, Women’s Council of Realtors® (WCR), and Middleton branch manager for Stark Company Realtors®, received the 2005 Chapter of the Year Award for outstanding Chapter Excellence. The presentation was made at the National Association of Realtors® Meeting in Washington, D.C. on May 20, 2006. The WCR is a community of real estate professionals creating business opportunities, developing skills for the future, and achieving individual potential for success.

Chartered in 2003, the Madison Metro Chapter was established to assist local REALTORS<sup>®</sup> with their professional growth, and is affiliated with the Women’s Council of REALTORS<sup>®</sup>, a national professional development organization with 14,000 members. “We exist to assist Realtors® and other business professionals build relationships, hone their skills for the industry, network, and have some fun while doing so” says Utter. “In 2005 the local council established a Scholarship Fund for members in order to assist members in attending designation classes, regional or state Realtor® meetings, where they can pick up new skills. We have and will continue to assist the YWCA 3<sup>rd</sup> Street with clothing donations, food pantry items, and holiday gifts. This program assists women getting back out into the working world and it seems appropriate that our council would assist with that endeavor” says Ms. Utter. Dave Stark, President of Stark Company Realtors®, said “Thank you so much to all of you at the Women’s Council of Realtors® for giving, and making our industry better. I’ve known all of you for a long time and it’s no surprise to me that National WCR noticed!”

The award is one in seven in the nation and is bestowed upon local chapters that give value to their members in relevant programs, networking opportunities, etc. For information on our local chapter, please contact Jennifer at 608-831-3234. For more information on national WCR visit [www.wcr.org](http://www.wcr.org) or call 800-245-8512.

A fourth generation company founded in Madison, Wisconsin in 1908, Stark Company Realtors® is one of the oldest and most trusted names in real estate and has sold more homes than any other firm in Dane County. With its rich heritage, great grandfather Albert C. Stark and Paul E. Stark, grandfather of current company President David K. Stark, grew the company based upon strong principals including commitment to the community and personal service, much like our Habitat for Humanity of Dane County and United Way of Dane County community involvement today.

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