

Janice Strong Named 2011 Realtor of the Year – September 19, 2011

Janice Strong, Certified Residential Appraiser, Realtor, and owner at Strong Appraisals in Wasilla, was named the recipient of the 2011 Realtor of the Year, awarded by the Alaska Association of REALTORS®.

This distinguished award is given annually to the individual who has displayed a strong sense of Realtor spirit, leadership qualities with local, state and national associations of Realtors, and involvement in civic activities.

Janice has been involved since 1993 as a salesperson and then also as an appraiser since 2002. She currently is the incoming 2012 Vice President of Alaska Association of REALTORS®. She previously served as Vice President in 2011, Secretary 2007- 2008, and Director 2006-2007. She was a Director on the Valley Board of REALTORS® 2003-2006 and was the 2008 REALTOR® of the Year for the Valley Board of Realtors®.

Janice was recently appointed as a 2012 National Association of REALTORS® Region 12 RPAC Trustee and has been the NAR Alaska Major Investor Council member for the past 3 years. Her passion is RPAC awareness and fundraising and has served as an Alaska RPAC Trustee for 6 years, and as a local fundraising chair. She is a National Association of REALTORS® RPAC Golden R and President's Circle member.

She is Chair of the State Grievance Committee and has also participated in RPAC, Industry Issues, and Legislative committees over the past 10 years.

Locally she stays involved as a member of the Fine Arts Council of the Matanuska-Susitna College from 2010-11. She has been the President of the Mat-Su Valley NAPMW from 2001-2003, a Director on the Wasilla Chamber of Commerce 2002-2004, the United Way of Mat-Su 2004-2006, the Mat-Su Homebuilders Board 2007-2009, the Matanuska Susitna Borough Board of Equalization 2005-2007, Mat-Su Borough Land Asset Management Board 2006-2010, Mat-Su Borough Aviation Task Force Board, the City of Palmer Convention and Conference Focus Group 2008-2009, and the President of Chugach View Homeowners Association from 2000-2011.

Janice's hobbies include antique art collecting with her husband, Greg Strong, and raising, showing and field trialing her Labrador Retrievers. She has had many champions, both show and field. She is also a Ruffed Grouse Society Life Sponsor since 1995.