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Founded right here in Wichita in 2001, ACT has been serving the Wichita area for over 16 years. The ACT team consists only of members who have done extensive training in all aspects of disaster response and are equipped with state of the art equipment to tackle any disaster their customers may face.

Two members of the ACT team are Geron Smith who is the General Manager/Director of Operations and Stacie Becker who just joined ACT as the

Director of Business Development in May. Both Geron and Stacie are familiar faces in the community as they are committed to getting out to see their customer base daily to see how they can best serve them.

Stacie says, "ACT understands the apartment community and the needs of multifamily clients. No other restoration company matches our commitment to AAGW and IREM. We pride ourselves on focusing on mitigating your loss versus demolition that could lead to extended business interruptions. The net result: we save on building materials, do not have extensive labor hours, and save on time which means getting you back into business faster and easier."

When asked what their favorite part of the job was they answered, "How their job is always changing and evolving. We are constantly trying to stay ahead of the curve and prepare for the next disaster, which is fun but also keeps us on our toes. We get to meet so many people and help them through a trying time in their lives which is very rewarding."

ACT has been involved with the AAGW for over 15 years and says that the friendships they have gained makes going to work each day fun. Stacie said, "I feel like I have received my greatest connections for business and helped myself grow through the AAGW. I think when people see you committed to volunteering for an organization that helps raise us all up."

Member of the Month

By: Rhiannon Giffin, Key Management

The August Member of the Month is Lanny Brunton with American Pest Management. Lanny has been involved in the Wichita apartment industry since 2015 when he started his employment as a certified technician in training. Lanny is currently on the Board of Directors and is a chair of the PAC committee.

What Lanny loves most about the AAGW is being able to build long-term relationships with the people in the industry. It impresses him just how passionate everybody he meets is about where the apartment business is and what they plan to do to make it more successful. In fact, the reason Lanny decided to pursue a position on the Board of Directors was to increase his knowledge on the industry and find out what he could do to help.

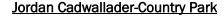
Lanny did give some great ideas on how he could see improvement in the near future. "The AAGW should focus on education more to help members maintain a higher level of knowledge compared to nonmembers. Also, most education and training comes from a property point-of-view format, I would like to see more opportunities to educate suppliers and their staffs. Classes such as Fair Housing are unbiased and should be taught throughout the industry."





The Grapevine

Rhiannon Giffin-Key Management





Congratulations to Rhiannon who was offered the position of Property Manager at Mimosa Arms. What is more impressive is that she will continue the same position at Regal Plaza. Good luck to your multitasking!



The AAGW would like to help welcome another cute baby as Jordan and his wife introduced Jaxon to the world on July 6th.

Lamar Duckett-Key Management



Katie Simmons-American Pest Management

Katie Simons has joined American Pest Management, Inc. customer support team as a Customer Service Representative. This will be her first career in pest management and also inside the apartment industry. Welcome, Katie!



Key Management Properties recently hired Lamar Duckett who will be working maintenance at both Regal Plaza & Cottages and Mimosa Arms. We wish you luck, Lamar!

Have news you would like to share in The Grapevine? From new hires to goodbyes to personal announcements please submit to admin@myaagw.com.

July Membership Meeting-Developing and Monitoring Budgets

Thank you to all who attended or volunteered at the July membership meeting covering the topic of budgets. Our budget-savvy panel included Wichita City Council Member Pete Meitzner, OxiFresh owner Eric Fahnestock, Key Management CFO Rebecca Mattix and Weigand-Omega Management's Director of Compliance Pat Lickiss. Special thank you to meeting sponsor Acute Construction.





August 18



Please join us on **Friday, August 18th at 6:30** for the Apartment Association of Greater Wichita's Annual Membership Meeting at the Holiday Inn at 549 South Rock Road.

We will be recognizing the outgoing Board of Directors as well as voting in the 2017-18 Board of Directors. Also, we welcome our speaker, Jared Estes, as he shares his story of perseverance and overcoming tragedy.

Dinner and refreshments will be provided.

Pricing: \$35 by August 8th, \$45 by August 15th Regist

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Thursday, August 10th, 11:30 am - 1 pm

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Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, August 15th

Deadline to register for CAM Course & Annual Meeting

Wednesday, August 16th, Noon - 1 pm

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Suppliers Council Meeting

Friday, August 18, 7:00 pm - 9 pm

Holiday Inn, \$35 per person

Annual Membership Meeting featuring Jared Estes

Thursday, September 14, 11:30 am - 1 pm

Furniture Options

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, September 20, Noon - 1 pm

Furniture Options

Suppliers Council Meeting



The 2018 Star of Excellence Awards will be held January 27th, 2018 at the Drury Hotel in Wichita, KS where we will celebrate the best in the apartment industry. Awards will be chosen from the individuals and companies who are nominated by their peers.

If you know of a person or company that you feel is deserving of recognition we encourage you to nominate them at www.myaagw.com. **Deadline for nominations is August 31st.**



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