The National Apartment Association (NAA) Statement and Position on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is closely monitoring the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) [formerly novel coronavirus 2019-nCoV], which was first detected in Wuhan City, China, and has since spread to 28 additional countries. With 14 cases of coronavirus confirmed in the United States (through February 26, 2020), the National Apartment Association (NAA) believes it prudent for its members and affiliates to be prepared for incidents involving COVID-19 should they occur.



The CDC and other qualified health officials should continue to be the primary source of current information and guidance. NAA is offering general, precautionary guidance from officials, and adding some common-sense guidelines for our industry in the interest of promoting a proper amount of caution at this time. Because this is a rapidly evolving situation, NAA will monitor developments and will continue efforts to secure guidance specific to the operation of rental housing from health officials.

Three things to remember regarding the possible spread of this virus:

- 1. NAA, AAGW, and individual members are not health care providers. Providing specific guidance (health tips) beyond general precautionary measures, is not advised. The CDC and other qualified officials should provide this information.
- 2. Continue to monitor the situation, stay tuned to your local authorities and their ongoing communications and keep track of how it affects "higher risk" sectors such as travel/tourism, convention centers, sporting events and see whether efforts here lead to more definitive guidance from health officials. (Cont'd Page 2)

# Member of the Month

By: Jessica Lewis, Seventeenth Management

With this month being Maintenance Mania, it was a natural fit for our member of the month to focus on a maintenance professional. Let me introduce Maximo Godinez from Seventeenth Management. He has been in the industry for a little over eight years now and in his current position for three months.

What he enjoys most about his job is the ability to work with his hands each day and seeing residents smile after completing their work orders. "On any given day I get to perform a variety of duties and I enjoy avoiding a repetitive schedule many others face. I take a lot of pride in my work which everyone should do in order to perform at the peak of their abilities."

What Maximo enjoys most about the AAGW is how so many different industries come together to help each other and each person is just a phone call away. He is also looking forward to this month's Mania event as it gives the many talented people in his industry the opportunity to shine for a day while being cheered on.







Case & Associates would like to welcome the newest member to their family, Lindsey Vierthaler. Lindsey was hired as a leasing agent at Portofino Apartments and they could not be happier to have her on board. They also welcome anyone in the area to stop in and say hello!





Furniture Options is proud to announce that 2020 is our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year! Thank you so much to the AAGW and our industry friends for being a part of our growth and our family. We will be celebrating our 35 year history all year long so be on the lookout for the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary FO SWAG coming to an apartment community near you!



## Meet Your AAGW Board and Committees

This month's spotlight needs no introduction, as a member of the Board of Directors since 2008, Anne Shoemaker has done it all from Education Chair, Programs Chair and President of the AAGW. What initially intrigued her involvement was the desire to become part of the bigger picture and being able to fully utilize the association with the opportunities of both learning and teaching others.

Most recently, Anne could be seen helping judge the Star of Excellence awards and volunteering at the Round for Hope golf tournament, which she can be found most years. "The golf tournament is a great fund raiser for The Center of Hope. They help apartment residents in need all over the city and raising donations for this amazing group is a way to give back to the community. It is important to pay it forward, plus, it is a really fun event!"

Anne says she continues to be inspired to be a better person through working with the other great minds in the AAGW who work hard each month to help the association grow and she looks forward to meeting others looking to become more involved. "Those with the qualities of clarity, decisiveness, and passion will find the most success and by always asking, what can I do for the AAGW?"





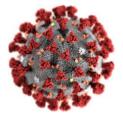
Anne Shoemaker, Regional Manager, Wilhoit Properties

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3. If a resident is confirmed to have COVID-19, do not direct facilities management or maintenance staff to the apartment. Immediately contact the local health department and CDC for guidance regarding appropriate measures to take.

At present, CDC prevention information includes:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue away.





### UPCOMING

### EVENTS

Thursday, March 5th, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm AAGW Main Office Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 18th, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Furniture Options Suppliers Council Meeting

Thursday, March 19th, 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Chicken N Pickle Maintenance Mania!

Thursday, April 9th, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm AAGW Main Office Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 15th, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Furniture Options Suppliers Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 22nd, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Build U

Fair Housing Focus Class

Thursday, April 23rd

Cessna Activity Center
AAGW Suppliers Council Trade Show & Education Seminars



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#### 2020 Maintenance Mania! Thursday, March 19th 1:30 PM- 4:00 PM Chicken N Pickle - Wichita

Don't forget to come support your favorite maintenance professionals as they compete for fame and fortune. A competition will also be taking place in the stands as our judges determine which cheering section will take home the traveling Spirit Trophy.

Thank you to our great sponsors who stepped up once again to ensure this event continues to be free to attend for both the participants and their fan bases!



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