

*The Covid-19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact on our campus and community. The people of UK Facilities Management remain the “boots on the ground” for UK, providing the essential services needed to keep our campus safe, secure, and positioned to respond to the evolving crisis. The strength each of you demonstrate daily is inspiring and represents such courage and compassion. We are in this together and we will get through it together. **Thank you for everything you do.** – Mary Vosevich, Vice President for Facilities Management*

## OUR PEOPLE.

## OUR STORIES.



Yesterday, Facilities Management’s **Tim Clark**, flanked by his trusted hounds **Chili** and **Pepper**, led a valiant chapter in our efforts to rehome the red foxes that have expanded into wildcat territory during the quieter-than-usual conditions caused by the pandemic. **Clark** was assisted by a team of **UK Grounds staff** and, though they had been outfoxed in recent days, yesterday’s efforts yielded promising results. Red foxes (*Vulpes vulpes*) are common in Kentucky, but until this year were very uncommon on campus. The very quiet spring created the opening these notoriously sly canines needed to infringe on wildcat turf. In addition to our efforts to humanely rehome the foxes, **Facilities Management** is also placing signage across campus reminding our community not to feed the wildlife. While seeing these animals on campus is a surprising treat for some, they are wild and both the foxes and the campus will be better off when they are relocated to more traditional habitat.



### Wayback Wednesday – Frances Jewell Hall

The original Frances Jewell Hall (top left), constructed in 1938, was one of UK’s first women’s dormitories. It remained an all-female residence hall for most of its existence. The building was named to honor Frances Jewell, an English professor at UK in the second decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century who later married UK President Frank McVey. As the first lady and UK’s Dean of Women, she worked tirelessly on many issues for the University including economic equality for women. While teaching English in 1917, Jewell had earned half the pay of comparable male faculty in her department. In 2014, the original



building was demolished as part of our efforts to revitalize campus housing. Later that same year, one of the new residence halls nearby (Champions Court) was rededicated to Frances Jewell (bottom left). Jewell Hall today provides state-of-the-art housing for up to 740 students and serves as an important reminder of our campus story.



Self-care, maintaining and improving our mental and physical health, should always be a priority but it is especially important in these trying times. UK Human Resources, through their **Work-Life Connections Program**, provides a wide array of resources available to all UK Employees. We encourage you to take time this week to do two things. First, learn about the warning signs that commonly indicate that stress and circumstances are negatively impacting your mental health. Second, familiarize yourself with the resources that UK provides to help you regain balance and focus. More info:

<https://www.uky.edu/hr/work-life/counseling/worklife-connections-counseling>