

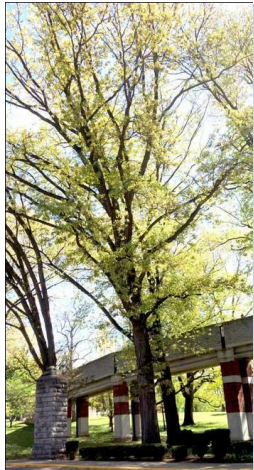
*The Covid-19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact on our campus and community. The people of UK Facilities Management remain the “boots on the ground” for UK, providing the essential services needed to keep our campus safe, secure, and positioned to respond to the evolving crisis. The strength each 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.

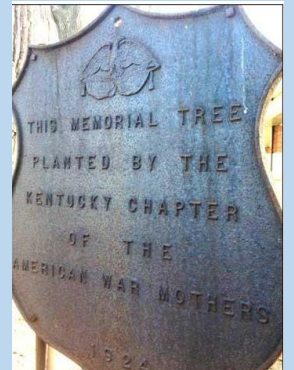
OUR STORIES.



Utilities and Energy Management continued their work preparing campus steam boilers for the cold weather last week. Boiler #3 at the Central Utility Plant (CUP) passed inspection last week. The boiler did experience a minor issue during restart, but thanks to control technician **Kayce Gosney** and his actuator fix, the issue was resolved and this unit now fires up predictably every time. **THANKS KAYCE** and the rest of the **UEM team** for doing the work to keep the lights on and our buildings comfortable!



Wayback Wednesday – In our weekly look back at the history of our campus facilities, and in honor of the return of fall, we take a look at how our trees are connected to campus history. The large burr oak at the intersection of Limestone and Administration Drive, pictured at left, was planted in 1924 by the Kentucky Chapter of the American War Mothers and is commemorated by a bronze plaque (right). The planting of the tree was coordinated by Mrs. Maude South McCarty, chair of the Memory Tree committee for the group. Mrs. McCarty wrote to UK President Frank McVey to request permission to plant the tree. President McVey responded positively and even helped enhance the occasion by suggesting they hold the event later in the day than originally planned, noting, “*We could secure better participation from the band at the later hour.*” [Learn more about this tree.](#)



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>

Photo Friday: Fall Favorites

Cooler temperatures and college football have returned to the bluegrass. Leaves are starting to change color and pumpkins are showing up on porches. What is your favorite part of fall and why? We want to fill our Photo Friday this week with the sights of fall in the bluegrass. Submit a favorite fall photo with a sentence or two about how it represents something you love about the season. Photos should be sent to shane.tedder@uky.edu by midnight on Thursday, October 1. At left, campus Gingko trees put on a show last fall.

