

*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*

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October 25-31 is National Healthcare Facilities & Engineering Week. Each day this week, we will feature facilities and engineering projects led by UK Facilities Management’s Medical Center (FMMC) teams.



CT scanners are very heavy pieces of equipment (2-3 tons), so the floor underneath must be strong enough to bear this weight. Sometimes this requires installation of structural reinforcement in difficult to reach locations. A new CT scanner was recently installed directly above the Chandler Hospital gift shop (right). **Facilities Management Medical Center’s** project manager **Jamie Carpenter** and superintendent **Eddie Spencer** coordinated the effort to demo the obstructing ceiling components, install two new 27’ steel I-beams (left), and put everything back together in a five day window. **GREAT WORK!**



Facilities Management’s Utilities and Energy Management teams continue their work performing upgrades and preventative maintenance to improve the efficiency, performance, and reliability of campus heating systems. At left, the superheater piping (red) for Central Heating’s Boiler #1 was reinsulated and repainted last week. At right, a new VFD, or variable frequency device, has been installed on Boiler #2 at the Central Heating Plant. VFDs improve the efficiency of boiler feed pumps by reducing power consumption associated with the speed of the pump. VFDs can also extend the life of the equipment.



WAYBACK WENDESDAY – The Arboretum

Today’s look back at the history of our facilities goes back just 29 years to 1991 when the University and the LFUCG entered an agreement to create a 100 acre arboretum along Alumni Drive. Nine years later, in March of 2000, the area was designated as the *Official State Botanical Garden for the Commonwealth of Kentucky*. **Facilities Management** supports the Arboretum in several ways including staff and equipment support for Grounds Management and maintenance and operations of the Arboretum’s facilities. Visiting the Arboretum is free, and fall is an perfect time to take in the scenic walks and stunning collections.