

*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.



WHAT A SHOT! Medical Center Facilities manager **Matt Mueller** captured this great picture of the **UK Grounds Arboriculture team** at work late yesterday afternoon. As the sun started to set behind them, the team used their hybrid diesel-electric spider lift to remove dead wood from the mature pin oak outside the Whitney-Hendrickson Cancer Facility for Women. The team on ground used a chipper and truck to quickly clean up the area and communicated with the team in the tree with helmet-mounted mics to ensure they were clear of the fall zone as branches were cut and dropped. The chipped wood will be mulched and reused. This work had to be scheduled late in the day to minimize disruptions to the critical work happening in the healthcare facilities nearby. **GREAT COORDINATION and COOPERATION TEAM.** UK has more than 12,000 trees and you can learn about every single one of them on this web-based inventory maintained by the **UK GROUNDS** team: <https://pg-cloud.com/UKY/>.



The holidays will look a little different for everyone this year but that doesn't mean they can't be merry and bright. The Child Life staff at Kentucky Children's Hospital are accepting donations of new and unopened toys, books, games and more for the young patients who will have to spend the holidays at the hospital. To reduce the risk of exposure for donors and hospital staff, those interested in sending gifts are encouraged to shop the [online wishlist](#). Purchases will be sent directly to the hospital from the vendors. Child Life cannot accept any homemade or used items. *Excerpted from UKNow*, more info: <http://uknow.uky.edu/uk-healthcare/help-patients-kch-have-merry-holiday-distance>.



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 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>



WEAR A MASK



WASH YOUR HANDS



PHYSICAL DISTANCE



DAILY SCREENING