

## The FM Daily

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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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## **CONGRATULATIONS AUBREY AND VALERIE!!**

Facilities Management is honoring two retirements this week. Congratulations and thank you to Valerie Carrico (Custodial) and Aubrey Walters (Utilities and Energy Management- Heating and Cooling). Valerie's last day was Monday and Aubrey's was yesterday. They will both be missed!



Aubrey Walters, Heating and Cooling Operator III. Aubrey has been a dedicated employee at the University of Kentucky for 33 ½ years. He started at the Med Center Heating Plant as a helper, and then transferred to the Central Heating Plant where he worked most and finished his career. At Central he learned to weld and held the H&C welder position for years. He was most influential in the replacement of miles of underground condensate piping. He



also ran the backhoe for a good portion of those piping installs, doing the digging and the welding. His title was changed from Welder to Maintenance Tech II at some point, where he assumed the responsibility of maintaining all the steam pits on the Central campus. He changed out several hundred sump pumps and I don't know how many steam traps, and valves during those years. His final position was Operator III, but most of his work was maintaining all the equipment in the plant and pits on campus and performing any needed welding in the plants and pits. Aubrey's contributions to the H&C department are greatly appreciated and we will miss him. – Mike Duffy



Valerie Carrico, Custodial Supervisor. Valerie attended UK as a student in 1980,1981 and 1982 and worked as a student in the M. I. King Library. She studied Recreational Therapy and began working as a personal training and teaching Aerobic classes, including here at Seaton Center. Working out remains one of her favorite things to do and is her favorite hobby. Valerie began working for UK Dining part time in 1992, and came on fulltime in June of 1993. She was promoted into management very quickly and opened restaurants on campus and created menus/budgets. Valerie transferred to PPD-Custodial on 3/14/2016. She said, "I think this has been my favorite place to work at UK. I was welcomed with open arms and have enjoyed my short time here. I have made so many more friends in this department that I will treasure the rest of my life. Thank you all for giving me a job of a lifetime and UK is the best place to work and retire!"

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