



# EKANA GREEN NEWS



A DEED RESTRICTED COMMUNITY

June 2008

## Entry Gate Code

The entry gate code will change effective, July 1, 2008. The new code was published in the mailed June 2008 Newsletter. Remotes may be purchased for \$36. Contact Anita Roberts at EPM ([anita.roberts@epmservices.com](mailto:anita.roberts@epmservices.com)).

## Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

The weather is heating up and so is the pace for home improvements. Landscaping and painting projects are popular this time of year.



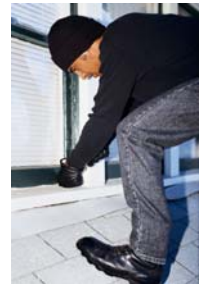
Each of these projects, as well as most other outdoor improvements, requires approval from the ARC. The process is simple. Just submit a completed ARC form with all supporting information including a copy of your survey (when appropriate) that shows the location of the project features as well as colors and style where applicable.

ARC application forms may be downloaded from our website ([www.ekanagreen.net](http://www.ekanagreen.net)).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the ARC approval process, please contact Anita Roberts at EPM ([anita.roberts@epmservices.com](mailto:anita.roberts@epmservices.com))

## Community Alert from Oviedo Police Department Officer M. Beaulieu – May 21, 2008

The Oviedo Police Department has seen a recent increase in residential burglaries to unattended homes during daylight hours. Those responsible for these crimes are focusing their efforts on upscale homes which remain unattended during the day.



Oviedo residents are asked to be vigilant as they are usually the first and best defense against crime in their neighborhood. Oviedo Police encourage residents to report suspicious activity such as unfamiliar vehicles, strangers going door-to-door and people looking into windows. Everyone who sees suspicious behavior in their neighborhood is asked to contact their law enforcement agency immediately with a description of the persons and vehicles involved. Residents of the City of Oviedo who see something suspicious should not hesitate to call 407-971-5700. For a crime in progress always call 9-1-1.

Information Source: City of Oviedo website

The "Gresham Police Department's NO-NONSENSE Guide to HOME SECURITY" is provided along with your newsletter (Carla C. Piluso, Chief of Police, Gresham Police Department, Oregon).



## Ekana Green Website

Check our community website ([www.ekanagreen.net](http://www.ekanagreen.net)) frequently for news, events and updates pertaining to our neighborhood and the City of Oviedo.

## Entry Gates

The front gates will be closed 24/7 for the summer months, since the school bus will not need access.

**WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!**

*Charles and Lenore Hammack - 2015 Emerald Green Circle*

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## Lawn Irrigation

In Ekana Green, there are two sources of water for irrigation: Reuse/Reclaimed provided by Alafaya Utilities and potable water provided by the City of Oviedo.

There seems to be some confusion concerning Reuse/Reclaim and Potable water as it relates to lawn irrigation in Ekana Green. Days and hours for irrigating with potable water differ from days and hours for irrigating with reclaimed water.

In order to comply with the City of Oviedo Water Conservation rules and guidelines (found in this newsletter) it is important that the resident know their source of water for irrigation purposes. All homes in Ekana Green have sensors that prevent the irrigation system from watering if we have experienced adequate rainfall and automatically cancels the irrigation for that time period. Irrigation clocks need to be checked to make sure they are set for the correct days and times to avoid being fined.



## Water Restrictions for the City of Oviedo

**Water conservation Ordinance:** On May 7, 2007 the Oviedo City Council passed Ordinance 1401. This Ordinance updates irrigation restrictions to include all private wells, pumps, ground and surface water sources, in addition to potable water sources. Fines for irrigating on non-irrigation days have increased; \$75 will be fined for the second violation; \$150 will be fined for the third violation. If fines are not paid water service will be disconnected.

The current City of Oviedo watering restrictions are as follows:

- Homes and businesses with even numbered or no numbered Addresses may irrigate **Thursday and Sunday** only from 12:00 midnight to 10:00 am and again from 4:00 pm to 12:00 midnight.
- Homes and businesses with odd numbered addresses may irrigate **Wednesday and Saturday** only from 12:00 midnight to 10:00 am and again from 4:00 pm to 12:00 midnight.

These restrictions are subject to strict enforcement and should be followed at all times.

If you reside in Ekana Green and use the Alafaya Utilities **reuse/reclaimed system** for irrigation the days for watering are as follows:

- All common areas, odd and even numbered addresses irrigate on **Monday and Friday**.

Only water before 9 a.m. and after 4 p.m. Alafaya Utilities turns off the water at all other times and when supplies are low. Alafaya Utilities recommends limiting irrigation to one inch of coverage per week. If you wish to contact Alafaya Utilities please call 407-869-1919.

### When will these restrictions be lifted?

Given the current demand and the expected extreme growth of demand on the Florida Aquifer, water restrictions are expected to remain in effect indefinitely in the Central Florida area as well as many other locations in the state and United States due to other water source stresses.

### Why no watering 10am-4pm?

Watering your lawn or landscaping between 10am and 4pm is nearly 100% waste...especially in the hot Florida sun. What happens when you spill water on the ground during the day? A wet spot appears for a minute or so and then disappears due to the sun evaporating it. The same thing happens when watering your lawn. To make things worse, the water that does happen to stay on the grass for a little while can actually aide the sun in burning your lawn. The optimal time to water your lawn is between 4pm and 10am during the night. Use you browsers "back" button to return to the Water Conservation homepage and click on the question about efficient sprinkler systems for more info.

**Irrigation System Maintenance:** The City of Oviedo allows maintenance to be conducted on potable (drinking) watering irrigation systems at anytime during the day, with a 10 minute limit per sprinkler zone. If that limit is violated a warning or fine may be issued.

**Ekana Green is a deed restricted community managed by EPM Services.**

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