

## April 2014

## April Showers Bring May Flowers MetroWest Irrigation Update

This spring, MetroWest Master Association (MWMA) has begun upgrading community irrigation systems for MetroWest communities. The first division of MetroWest to experience the benefits of the \$1.7 million project is Westpointe Boulevard, where the irrigation system can now be regulated through computer systems down organized water pathways. Installation of the upgraded irrigation system is now continuing from South Hiawassee to MetroWest Boulevard. During the irrigation upgrade process, Newburg Irrigation personnel will be seen working in MetroWest communities, but MWMA will work with each HOA, COA, or business entity to assure that all inconveniences to businesses, residents and visitors of MetroWest communities are minimized.

The implementation of the irrigation system upgrade project meets the highest city and state water quality standards, and will save the communities money due to its ecofriendly water regulation. While the irrigation upgrade is being completed to help beautify MetroWest communities, here are some tips on how to reduce your water waste and be more eco-friendly:

• Water your grass and garden areas only when they need it – overwatering can contribute to the development of fungus and disease in grass and plants.

• Water your plants deeply at the base of the plant to penetrate the soil and provide proper nutrients to the roots underground.

• If you use a timed sprinkler-system, be aware of what days it rains and be sure to turn off your sprinkler-system to avoid water waste and overwatering of your lawn.

• In appropriate areas, use mulch to reduce evaporation of water on the surface of the soil.