

# DESERT COVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## DID YOU KNOW....



*(A few helpful tips that we have found out about and thought you might like to know, too!)*

**Gas Fireplaces** are lovely, but if you have an electric ignition, instead of a pilot light (many newer models), if the power goes out, so does your fire. Many of the newer models have a battery operated ignition console that can be used to switch on the gas, cleverly hidden **INSIDE** and under the fireplace box (better wait til it cools down a bit to have a look) Or ask when you have your fireplace serviced, before next winter.



**Septic Tank Filters** Newer homes in Desert Cove that have their own individual septic tanks are responsible for getting their tanks pumped out regularly (the Administration Office can let you know when yours needs doing). But some of the newer ones may also have a filter which needs to be checked and cleaned (hosed down) every 6 months! A plugged filter can cause all kinds of problems, even backing up the tank contents into your home. Check with the office if your home has a filter that should be cleaned. One of the local tank pumping companies (Falkland Tank) comes to Desert Cove periodically to provide this service...watch for the notice to sign up!



**Mail Delivery** Our mail delivery addresses cause a lot of confusion, and in some cases, missed mail. One thing you **DON'T** want to miss is communication from BC Drivers' Licensing because they **INSIST** on putting your physical address on your Driver's license, but if they don't *also* have your mailing address on their files, you will not get your license renewal, or reminders, or photo-radar tickets, or anything along that line, and **THAT** could be bad.



**Fruit Flies** Summer is coming, and so are the fruit flies. Fruit flies love fruit, but also wine, so a perfect 'trap' is a wine glass, or any container with a little leftover wine (what **IS** that, anyway?) in the bottom. Cover with plastic wrap, and make one *small* hole (with a sharp pencil or something similar) in the top. Flies go in, drink themselves happy, and die. No idea if they prefer white or red. Have fun!



***Our "Did you Know" page welcomes your contributions! We all hear really interesting tips from time to time, and now we can share... [desertcovehoa@gmail.com](mailto:desertcovehoa@gmail.com)***