



# Kepplegate

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**SEPTEMBER  
2017  
NEWSLETTER**

## KAREN'S KORNER

Following on from last month's newsletter, we have a new twist here at Kepplegate when someone asks what day it is. Monday? Wednesday? Friday? Not at all—it's a "something" day every day of the year, so we've picked out a few that appealed to us to acknowledge. See our 'National Tell a Joke' day on page 3.

*Now we're in September it's officially Autumn. But you've guessed it, someone's already sent us details for Christmas turkey and meats. Agh.....some people keep trying to rush us through life!*

We hope you enjoy the snippets in our newsletter from our life at Kepplegate.

*Bye for now  
Karen*

## In This Month's Newsletter

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Congratulations to Trevor, who celebrated his 80th birthday in the middle of August



## BIRTHDAYS

Sorry, Susan E....I missed you out last month, but a belated Happy Birthday!



Team members celebrating birthdays in September are Louise and Carol P. No photo available of Louise, sorry.



## GARDEN PARTY

**Thank heavens for sunshine & blue skies! The barbeque was a big hit, as were the usual tombola stalls and our website was launched (or went live!) during the afternoon, with Karen cutting a ribbon after everyone's countdown. We raised a fantastic £480 which will be donated to Fleetwood's Charity School, so a big THANK YOU to EVERYONE who supported it in any way.**



**Throwing wet sponges at people behind the "Spongebob" board was hugely popular, meanwhile there was a secondary party going on inside with Bryan singing & everyone in dancing & conga mood!**



### National Tell a Joke Day

As Karen said, we're going to acknowledge certain themed days but the lists for these days vary quite a lot according to which country they're printed in. For example, I've seen that its National Chocolate Milkshake Day on 12th September and International Chocolate day on the 13th...so we'll probably go with combining the two! Following on from National Water Melon Day, we had National Tell a Joke Day in Kepplegate. Thank you to John F who kindly gave us this one:-



#### *A Biblical Story*

A woman runs a red traffic light and crashes into a man's car. Both of their cars are demolished, but amazingly, neither of them is hurt.

After they crawl out of their cars, the woman says; "Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but fortunately we are unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our days." The man replies, "I agree with you completely. This must be a sign from God!" The woman continues, "And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely demolished, but my bottle of wine didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink this wine and celebrate our good fortune." She then hands the bottle to the man. The man nods his head in agreement, opens it, drinks half the bottle and then hands it back to the woman. The woman takes the bottle.

The man asks, "Aren't you having any?" The woman replies, "Nah, I think I'll just wait for the police."

Adam ate the apple, too.



Men will never learn



**Since we bought the Kepplegate iPad, we've had facility for relatives to Skype our residents, but we hope to encourage this even more. When the lounge**

**has been decorated there will be a shelf where the iPad will 'live' and easily heard by the carers on duty.**

**In the meantime, if you'd like to Skype one of our residents, please could you give us a quick telephone call first so we can get the iPad out?**

**Our Skype address is:-**

**kepplegatecare@gmail.com**



### REDUCING FIRE RISK



As we head into autumn and face colder days, the heating will go on and a lot of us still enjoy the cosiness of a real fire, which is when we must think about fire risk. Is your home safe from fire? Do you know how often you should test your smoke alarm?

Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service offer a free Home Fire Safety Check Service to most households. If you'd like to receive a safety check, phone 0800 1691125 or visit the website on [www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk](http://www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk)

PHOTO ALBUM FROM AUGUST AT KEPPLLEGATE



TEAM NEWS



(1) Congratulations to Trevor & Veronica who celebrated 58 years of marriage!

(2) Lilia has become Kepplegate's own Alan Whicker since she gained her British Nationality status! She's been to Amsterdam, Paris, Rome & Venice and has just returned from two weeks in America with her daughter, Alice.



They stayed in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and travelled to Philadelphia, Washington DC, New York and Atlantic City. The photos show the White House in the background and their trip to New York

(3) A big welcome to Carol who has joined the Kepplegate team and will be working as assistant cook

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11th September—Caroline Lovett

15th September—Community Awareness Session at Kepplegate, on the subject of Safeguarding. Please enquire if you're interested in booking a place.

21st September—Jeans for Genes Day. Please feel free to come along in your jeans and donate £2 to the charity that helps children with rare genetic disorders.



25th September—Sing-a-long with Beverley