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OUR BUSY BELL

The Tower has been a hive of activity over the last few weeks and you would think the volunteers and staff would be belled out, but no, there is always more people to meet and more bells to ring.

Next week will be a busy time at the Tower starting Tuesday with the annual 'Morning Tea in the Tower'. As part of WA Seniors Week 2011 celebrations, Seniors Card Centre has invited eighty seniors to join us for morning tea. Throughout the week, seniors will be welcomed with special entry by simply presenting their seniors card.

National SES Week is 6 to 13 November and it is a time to recognise the incredible efforts of our community volunteers. Once again as part of the week's activities, The Bell Tower will play host to local volunteers and celebrities as they attempt to abseil the six stories down our iconic Tower. If you are walking driving, cycling or even jogging past the Tower on Wednesday, starting at around 7.00am, stop and see if you can catch their death defying attempts. For more information go to www.fesa.wa.gov.au

Next weekend is the annual Heritage Perth Heritage Days. As part of the extensive activities planned across the two days, the Tower will host an 'open day' Sunday 13 November from 10.00am.

Don't miss this chance to experience the sounds of Perth and the world's largest musical instrument as we celebrate our cities heritage.

Visitors will have the chance to see bellringers practicing the ancient art of change ringing on 280 year old bells from St Martin-in-the Fields Church in London. See the oldest bell in Australia dating back to 1550 or wander the steel walkway on the Observation Deck and enjoy the splendour of the 360 degree views. Everyone is welcome to record a video postcard to send to family and friends through YouTube channel and Facebook, or simply listen to the Carillon, the first of its kind in the world.

For more information about Heritage Perth Heritage Days visit www.heritageperth.com

World Diabetes Day is Monday 14 November. The International Diabetes Federation and World Health Organisation have estimated that more than 300 million people worldwide have diabetes. On the eve of this important day, as a show of support The Bell Tower will shine blue to help raise awareness for diabetes. Look up on Sunday 13 November and see our blue Diabetes Beacon.

The Bell Tower is located in Perth's Barrack Square overlooking the picturesque Swan River and is open from 10am every day. The Bell Tower – Home of the Swan Bells, Perth.

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