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Assisted living communities celebrate National Assisted Living Week

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – The Tennessee Health Care Association and the Tennessee Center for Assisted Living (THCA/TNCAL) are joining senior living communities across the country in celebrating National Assisted Living Week Sept. 11-17.

Assisted living communities throughout the state are hosting ceremonies, picnics, talent shows, carnivals and myriad other activities to celebrate the week, which recognizes the commitment assisted living professionals make to providing care and services to the residents in their communities. The 2011 National Assisted Living Week theme, “Forever Proud,” remembers the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11th attacks and recognizes the pride one feels about citizenship, community involvement and commitment to family and friends.

“The employees at Tennessee’s assisted living communities can be proud of their efforts to provide a healthy and safe environment for our seniors, and our seniors can be proud of their contributions to our communities,” said THCA/TNCAL Executive Director Jesse Samples. “While it’s always a good time to visit an assisted care living facility, I encourage all Tennesseans to join our members at some of the special events they’ve planned for National Assisted Living Week.”

National Assisted Living Week is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Center for Assisted Living in Washington, D.C., and THCA/TNCAL, a nonprofit organization representing Tennessee’s long-term care communities. For more information on National Assisted Living Week, visit [www. nalw.org](http://www.nalw.org).

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