

## **Cantigny 5K Proceeds Donated to Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans**

**WHEATON, IL, November 14, 2013** — Cantigny Park, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundations, awarded a check for \$11,000 to the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans (MSHV) in Wheaton. The donation, presented during the park's Veterans Day Tribute, represents net proceeds from the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Cantigny 5K Run/Walk on Nov. 2.

The Cantigny 5K was a sellout with all 1,000 positions filled. Cash donations to MSHV from participating runners and walkers totaled \$2,148 – money contributed on top of required entry fees!

MSHV also receives funding from Cantigny Post 556 of the American Legion, based at the First Division Museum at Cantigny Park. The legionnaires hosted a pancake breakfast at Cantigny during the 5K that attracted nearly 700 patrons. Some of the money raised at that event will go to MSHV, which is the primary community service activity of Post 556.

MSHV, located in downtown Wheaton, operates a transitional housing program with counseling, access to health care, and education and job-training services for U.S. veterans of any era. Its mission is to serve those who served the nation, and their families, by providing housing and supportive services that lead to self-sufficiency. To learn more, visit the shelter's website at [helpaveteran.org](http://helpaveteran.org).

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Cantigny 5K Run/Walk will take place November 1, 2014. Online registration begins in April.

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### **About Cantigny Park**

Cantigny Park, part of the nonprofit Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundations, is the 500-acre Wheaton (Illinois) estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), longtime editor and publisher of the *Chicago Tribune*. It is home to 30 acres of spectacular gardens, the Robert R. McCormick Museum, the First Division Museum and a 27-hole championship golf course. All are open to the public. Cantigny also is a favorite destination for special events, weddings, concerts, lectures, workshops and other recreation and learning opportunities for all ages. Full-service banquet and dining facilities are on site. More information, including hours, directions and a calendar of upcoming events is online at [Cantigny.org](http://Cantigny.org). For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit [CantignyGolf.com](http://CantignyGolf.com).

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