

Wheaton's Shelton Thompson Wins Cantigny 5K Run/Walk

Race proceeds to benefit Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans in Wheaton

WHEATON, IL, November 3, 2012 — With a mile pace of 5 minutes and 51 seconds, Shelton Thompson of Wheaton captured first place at today's Cantigny 5K with a chip time of 17 minutes and 49 seconds (17:49.61). The 17-year-old Wheaton North High School senior was among 900 runners and walkers at Cantigny Park.

Second place overall went to Lombard resident Joshua Perry, age 36. Third place belonged to Doug Gibson, 32, from Lisle.

The top female runner with a chip time of 20:41.15 was Samantha Poglitsch, age 10, from Wheaton. Second and third, respectively, went to Hannah Smith (17, Mundelein) and Ruth Roberts (44, Naperville).

Poglitsch is the youngest female winner in the Cantigny 5K's 9-year history. In 2011 she finished third in the Youth division.

Geneva resident Sam Barton, age 10, was tops among 32 entrants in the one-mile Cantigny Youth Run with a time of 7 minutes and 12 seconds. Second and third, respectively, went to Luke Janek (10, Naperville) and Nathan Gavin (9, Winfield). The Youth Run was open to ages 6 to 10.

Complete race results are posted on the [Mattoon Multisport website](#).

The Cantigny 5K Run/Walk is held annually in association with Veterans Day (Nov. 11). Net proceeds from the race benefit the [Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans](#) in Wheaton. A check will be presented to the shelter this Friday evening (Nov. 9) as part of [Cantigny Park's Luminary Tribute](#) for veterans.

The 10th annual Cantigny 5K Run/Walk will take place November 2, 2013. Online registration begins in April at [SignMeUp.com](#).

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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](#). For details about Cantigny Golf, including the Cantigny Golf Academy and 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links, please visit [CantignyGolf.com](#).

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