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FALL FESTIVAL CELEBRATES THE BEST OF AUTUMN ON OCT. 11

Craft show, live music, hayrides, petting zoo, pumpkins and more!

Wheaton, Ill., September 29, 2014 — The Cantigny Fall Festival, one of the park's most popular annual events, is Saturday, October 11, from 10 am to 4 pm.

Festival admission is free with paid parking (\$5 per vehicle). Attractions, activities and entertainment include:

- Arts and Crafts Show
- Usborne Book Fair
- Pumpkin Decorating & Pumpkin Ring Toss
- Hayrides, Pony Rides & Petting Zoo
- Music by *The Salt Creek Boys*
- Candy Dive
- Face Painting (12-4 pm)
- *Scribblemonster* Children's Concert (11 am, 1 pm & 3 pm)
- Variety Juggling Comedy Performance (12 pm)
- Stiltwalker (1-4 pm)
- Children's Craft Project and Monster Mural
- Inflatables

A nominal fee applies to some activities: face painting (\$3), petting zoo (\$1), hayrides (\$2) and pony rides (\$3). Kids ages 2 and under are free.

Seasonal treats and festival-style food will be available at outside concession stands and inside the Visitors Center at Bertie's Coffee Shop. Le Jardin, adjacent to Bertie's, will serve lunch from 11 am to 3 pm.

The Cantigny Shop, also inside the Visitors Center, will feature a wide assortment of fall décor items and other new arrivals. Cantigny honey will be available, plus autumn plant arrangements from the park's greenhouse. Shop hours are 9 am to 5:30 pm.

More festival details and information about other upcoming events at Cantigny are online at Cantigny.org. The park is open from 7 am to sunset every day through October. Hours are 9 am to sunset in November and December. Annual memberships starting at \$50 include unlimited free parking and other benefits.

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About Cantigny Park

Part of the nonprofit Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundations, Cantigny 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.