CANTIGNY 5K PROCEEDS DONATED TO MIDWEST SHELTER FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

Wheaton, Ill., November 16, 2017 — Cantigny Park, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, awarded a check for $13,500 to the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans (MSHV) in Wheaton. The donation, presented on Veterans Day, represents net proceeds from the 14th annual Cantigny 5K Run/Walk on November 4.

The check amount included cash donations from participating runners and walkers totaling $1,824—money contributed in addition to their entry fees! For the third straight year, Topgolf Naperville sponsored the event, further boosting the amount of money raised.

Including this year’s donation, the Cantigny 5K has now generated $106,500 for MSHV since 2008, the event’s first year of association with the shelter.

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 collected $1,100 in direct donations to the shelter. MSHV is the primary community service activity of Post 556.

In addition, on Veterans Day, the First Division Museum at Cantigny Park held Brew It Forward. About 400 attended the first-time beer tasting event, raising another $1,838 for MSHV.

Founded in 2000, the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans provides vets and their families with housing and supportive services that lead to self-sufficiency. MSHV’s operations include three facilities in downtown Wheaton. To learn more, visit the shelter online at helpaveteran.org.

The next Cantigny 5K will take place on November 3, 2018.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundations, is the 500-acre former estate of Col. Robert R. McCormick located in Wheaton, Illinois. It is home to the McCormick House, First Division Museum, formal gardens, picnic grounds, walking trails, and a Visitor Center with banquet and dining facilities. More information, including hours, directions, and upcoming events, can be found online at Cantigny.org. Cantigny Golf, adjacent to the park, features a 27-hole championship golf course, a full-service clubhouse, Cantigny Golf Academy, and the 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links. For more information, please visit CantignyGolf.com.