

Cantigny Fall Festival Celebrates Autumn Fun on October 12

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

WHEATON, IL, October 1, 2013 — The Cantigny Fall Festival, one of the park's most popular annual events, takes place Saturday, October 12, from 10 am to 4 pm.

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

- Arts and Crafts Show
- "Cantigny's Greatest Show on Earth" Scarecrow Display
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Hayrides & Pony Rides
- Music by *The Salt Creek Boys*
- Candy Dive
- Face Painting
- *Super Stolie* Children's Concert (2 pm)
- Pumpkin Ring Toss
- Petting Zoo
- Children's Craft Project and Monster Mural
- Inflatables

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

Seasonal treats will be available during the festival 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 remodeled and remerchandised Cantigny Shop, also inside the Visitors Center, will feature a wide assortment of fall décor items and other new arrivals. Cantigny honey and honey-based products such as soap and lip balm will also be offered, 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

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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