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**MCCORMICK MUSEUM AND CANTIGNY'S IDEA GARDEN TO DEBUT
NEW FEATURES ON JUNE 11**

Wheaton, Ill., May 29, 2014 — Cantigny Park will formally introduce new attractions and features in the gardens and Robert R. McCormick Museum during a special evening event on Wednesday, June 11. The event is free, including parking.

Under a casual, open house format, park visitors will be able to see and learn about two key enhancements:

- From 5:30 to 8 pm, Cantigny's horticulture staff will introduce the Idea Garden's new west entrance, pathways and plantings. The project's main goal was to physically connect the Idea Garden with the park's central allée (avenue of trees) while improving convenience and safety for visitors. Complimentary light refreshments will be served and a cash bar will be available.
- From 6 to 8 pm, visitors are invited to the McCormick Museum's Gold Theatre to see "Robert R. McCormick: Innovator, Journalist and Philanthropist." The all-new exhibit highlights some of the accomplishments of Cantigny's benefactor, who lived on the estate from 1910 until his death in 1955. Coffee and cookies will be available as guests view the exhibit.

Museum and garden staff members will be on location to answer questions throughout the evening.

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About Cantigny Park

Cantigny Park, part of the Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundation, 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.