

## **Cantigny Fall Festival Promises Family Fun on October 8**

*Event includes craft show, live music, petting zoo, pumpkins, scarecrows and more!*

**WHEATON, IL, September 29, 2011** — The Cantigny Fall Festival, one of the park's most popular annual events, will take place Saturday, October 8.

Festival hours are 10 am to 4 pm. Admission is free to the public with paid parking (\$5 per vehicle). Attractions will include:

- Arts and Crafts Show with more than 40 vendors
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Scarecrow Making
- Hayrides
- Music by *The Salt Creek Boys*
- Candy Dive
- *Scribblemonster* Kids Concert
- Face Painting
- Stiltwalker and Juggling Show
- Barnyard Petting Zoo
- Inflatables

Visitors will enjoy a stroll through Cantigny's beautiful fall gardens to see more than 50 creatively decorated scarecrows. A map with their locations (and names!) will be available.

Seasonal treats will be available during the festival at outside concession stands and inside at Bertie's Coffee Shop.

Free hayrides will be offered at Cantigny Park not only at the Fall Festival but also on October 15, 22 and 29, from noon to 4 pm.

More festival details and information about other upcoming events at Cantigny are online at [Cantigny.org](http://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.

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### **About Cantigny Park**

Cantigny Park, part of the Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundation, is the 500-acre Wheaton estate of Robert R. McCormick. It is home to the McCormick Museum, 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 is online at [Cantigny.org](http://Cantigny.org). Cantigny Golf, adjacent to the park, features a 27-hole championship golf course, full-service clubhouse, Cantigny Golf Academy and the 9-hole Cantigny Youth Links. For more information, visit [CantignyGolf.com](http://CantignyGolf.com).

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