## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 12, 2014

## REDDICK MANSION TO DEDICATE PERGOLA TO MEMORY OF ELEANOR MCCLEVEY AND THANK ALL FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

## REDDICK MANSION ASSOCIATION OTTAWA, IL CONTACT PERSON: DIANE SANDERS 815-252-4639

After almost a year of planning and construction, the Reddick Mansion Association invites the public and special guests to the dedication of its pergola on Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm.

According to Diane Sanders, president of the Reddick Mansion Association, "Eleanor McClevey was very dedicated and generous to the Mansion Association since its inception in 1974. We are very pleased to be able to recognize her support by dedicating our beautiful pergola to her memory." Eleanor McClevey was the granddaughter of Nellie Nash, the first assistant librarian who was hired by the Reddick Library Board in 1888.

The Reddick Mansion would also like to acknowledge and specially invite all the other people involved with the building of the pergola: the OTHS Building Trades Program, Dave Keely, The Master Gardeners and Ottawa Garden Club, Twila Yednock, Golden Rule Lumber, and Pavers and More.

"The pergola is a wonderful addition to the already lovely gardens of the Mansion," said Nancy Barta, RMA board member. "We intend to use it for events at the Mansion as well as rent it out for small weddings, outdoor receptions, etc. And, of course, we hope people will enjoy the pergola on warm summer afternoons, for reading, texting, and meeting friends."

After the dedication and thank yous, there will be music in the gardens of the Mansion and refreshments will be served.