

2010 - 2012 MOVING FORWARD

2010

- Gary Pruitt officially became the Hancock Park District's new Director on June 1.
- Board Chairperson, Jerry Hawkins, retired from the Board of Park Commissioners on December 31. Mr. Hawkins was the longest serving park commissioner in the Hancock Park District's 40 year history. Mr. Hawkins began his appointment on August, 1992.

2011

- New playground was installed at Litzenberg Memorial Woods for children ages 6-12.
- Parking lot expansion was completed at Oakwoods Nature Preserve.
- Richard S. "Doc" Phillips Discovery Center received a 1,400 square foot expansion.
- Multi-use trail extension and historic bridge preservation projects expand hiking and history at Riverbend Recreation Area.

2012

- Grand re-opening is held for the newly renovated and improved Richard S. "Doc" Phillips Discovery Center in Oakwoods Nature Preserve.
- Upgrades made to the K-9 fields of Dreams Dog Park.
- Replacement and enclosure finished of Big Oaks Shelter #1 at Riverbend Recreation Area.
- Purchase of a portable planetarium for astronomy-based programs for school children and the general public thanks to a grant from the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation.
- A Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation grant and Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation funds purchased Dold Lake and approximately 11 acres adjacent to Oakwoods Nature Preserve as expansion for the preserve.
- HPD accepted a donation from the Washington Township trustees of 74.825 acres of recreational land. The property is located along Washington Township 243, north of Arcadia.