



Approve: Minutes from Feb 2025

Tree Tender Training completion

Tree Trimming Reflections – pending
Mahantongo St

Arbor Day Theme Might Oak Tree/ Palamar Rap / April 25 @10:00 Bunker Hill Playground
Arbor Day Challenges sent Feb 25 - 2nd grade Gillingham, Allison Guarneri

Inventory

- ? What is most popular tree in Pottsville?
- ? What percentage coverage is Pottsville in trees?

Spring 2025 TreePA Grant - 20 trees ordered, 10 to plant planted in early April

Tree planting Locations

- 1 City Hall/Laurel Ave
- 1 Centre & Market - grind
- 1 Historical Society - cut and grind
- 1 800 Market Street - grind
- 1 2143 W Market
- 2 Playground 17th Norwegian St - cut and grind
- 3 Forest Hill Playground
- 5 Baber Cemetery
- 1 Sweet Arrow Lake
- 4 Schuylkill Haven

Next Meeting: Monday, April 21, 2025 @ 3:00



M. PAUL FRIEDBERG

The award-winning nationally significant New York City-based landscape architect M. Paul Friedberg, a maverick known for his innovative adventure playgrounds created at City Housing Authority projects in the 1960s.

Here he is at Battery Park City, NY. He died at age 91 on Feb 15, 2025. M. Paul Friedberg was born in 1931 in New York City. He spent much of his youth in rural Pennsylvania and Middletown, New York. When his father became a weekend landscape contractor and established a nursery business, the teenage Friedberg actively assisted.

In the 1970s and 1980s paths and bridges interspersed among pools, ponds and water courses immersed visitors in the landscape. His career was one that questioned established conventions. His designs replaced fences and signs with spaces that were open to the broader urban environment and open to a multiplicity of uses.

“Space if for people to move through it.” “A wall is an obstruction; a ledge is a place to sit.”
“Change in social patterns effect design.” “In play, children want to manipulate their environment.”

A great help with tree planting for two years from Gillingham Charter School. He dreams of being a forester! Glad we had a hand in his career interests.

