

## Man Charged With Adult Neglect

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — A Pennsylvania man who left three blind and deaf adults in his care locked in a van for about an hour Sunday while he ate at a western Maryland diner has been arrested, police said.

Brian Fleming, 47, of Fairfield, Pa., was charged with three counts of vulnerable adult neglect, police said.

Patrons of the Mountain View Diner in Fredrick called police to report people locked in a van that was parked in direct sunlight.

Officers opened the van door so heat could escape and an ambulance was called to provide care because the trio appeared to be hot and in distress.

Police say as the ambulance arrived, Fleming came out of the diner and he was arrested.

The three people who had been locked in the van were taken back to Medsource Community Services Inc. in Frederick. Fleming is a Medsource employee.

Robert Claxton, executive director of Medsource, said Monday that the three people suffered no injuries or illnesses.

Fleming is employed by Med-Source as a "direct care worker who provides support to people with developmental disabilities," Claxton said.

Claxton declined to give Fleming's length of employment or his current status with Med-Source.

However, he said, "Staff who leave the people we serve unattended in a vehicle, whether the windows are up or down, whether someone deems it comfortable for them or not, cannot work for us."

"You cannot leave the people we serve unsupervised."

Claxton said Medsource does an annual search of staff members' driving records and a biennial search of their criminal records.

Claxton said the clients had been to church earlier Sunday and he assumed they were to have been taken out to lunch. None of them had eaten before the incident, he said.

David Paulson, a spokesman for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, said Monday an investigation will be conducted of the facility.

"But in the meantime, the normal course is to step back and let whatever law enforce-

ment investigation that is taking place proceed at its own pace," he added.

Paulson said he had no information on the compliance history of MedSource Community Services.

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# Train Museums Host Third Annual Garden Railways Tour

The Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and the National Toy Train Museum in Strasburg, Lancaster County, will host the third annual Garden Railways tour on Sunday, October 11, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at all Stauffers of Kissel Hill locations in central Pennsylvania and at both museums.

This exclusive, self-guided tour of six, beautiful Lancaster County private homes features fascinating displays of operating model trains set amid attractively landscaped gardens. These outdoor garden railways creatively use the natural environmental and varieties of spectacular flowers, plants, trees and ponds. Unique, unexpected and fun features will delight visitors of all ages. The homes are located in and around Lancaster, Mountville, Lititz, East Earl and Narvon.

Garden railways are the fastest growing interest area in model railroading, and serious horticulturists find that trains add excitement to their gardens. However, many beautiful, operating garden railways have been created by people who do not consider themselves to be either gardeners or model train buffs. This family-friendly hobby goes back more than a century in Great Britain and first achieved some popularity in the United States in the 1920s and 1930s. Its more recent resurgence has often been credited in part to the advent of colorful LGB model trains from Germany.

Garden railways may be set up in very small spaces or large expanses, as well as in differing climates and in widely varying degrees of complexity. The pursuit has attracted the formation of numerous garden railway en-

thusiast associations, special equipment and supplies from model train companies, Web sites and even its own magazine.

Garden Railways Tour tickets are only \$10 per person for ages 6 and over. Tickets may be purchased at all Stauffers of Kissel Hill locations in central Pennsylvania, at both museums and by using a printable ticket request available on the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania's Web site. No tickets will be sold at the individual Garden Railways tour home sites. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free of charge. Proceeds from the tour benefit programs at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and the national Toy Train Museum.

Garden Railways Tours visitors may wish to stay over in Lancaster County to more fully enjoy both the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and the National Toy Train Museum. An awe-inspiring collection of 111 historic locomotives and vintage railroad cars - some of which are open for inspection - and a delightful, interactive education center will be found at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. A wonderful collection of toy trains from the 1850s to the present and five amazing operating layouts will be on hand at the National Toy Train Museum. Visitors to Lancaster County also can ride the Strasburg Railroad, see the Choo Choo Barn and take advantage of many other great activities. For information on area lodging, dining, shopping, historic sites and attractions, visit [www.strasburg.com](http://www.strasburg.com), [www.padutchcountry.com](http://www.padutchcountry.com) or [www.visitpa.com](http://www.visitpa.com) or call toll free at 1-866-STRSBRG, 1-880-PADUTCH or 1-800-VISIT-PA.

The Railroad Museum of

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