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Teen held in killing of retired cop

16-year-old suspected in death of former bomb technician outside Chicago home

By **Caroline Kubzansky and Rebecca Johnson**
Chicago Tribune

The 16-year-old boy suspected of killing retired Chicago police Officer Larry Neuman was ordered

detained Tuesday after prosecutors described a brazen daytime shooting outside Neuman's Garfield Park home.

The teen, Lazarious Watt, was identified in video surveillance by four

witnesses who knew him from the neighborhood, authorities told a Cook County judge during a detention hearing at the Leighton Criminal Court Building. Watt, a Garfield Park resident who has pending juvenile cases, was charged as an adult with first-degree murder in connection with Neuman's shooting death

after turning himself in.

"The defendant is a threat to the community based on his actions," Judge Antara Rivera said as she ordered Neuman be detained. "Everyone should feel safe at home whether you're inside or outside, and the defendant violated that."

Prosecutors said Neuman, 73, was outside his home

last Thursday in the 4300 block of West Monroe Street getting ready to pay a man who had helped mow his lawn when he was approached by two gunmen wearing ski masks.

When Neuman reached for his own gun, one of the gunmen fired shots. Authorities said they are still searching for that suspect.

As the witness ran to escape, he saw Watt aim his firearm at Neuman, and Neuman fired a single round in return, prosecutors alleged. The masked gunmen then ran down an alley.

Neuman fell to the ground after sustaining multiple gunshot wounds to

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Ahead of Season 3, a real-life, three-hour 'The Bear' food tour serves fans of the popular television series a prime cut of the city's dining destinations



Forrest Beals, center, eats chicken dumplings at Time Out Market during a "The Bear"-themed food tour Friday. **VINCENT ALBAN/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

The taste of Chicago

By **Kate Armanini**
Chicago Tribune

Claudia Dietrich and Ross Lloyd boarded a bus bound for the hottest tourist spot in River North. While their guide rattled off Chicago trivia, the couple snapped photos from every angle — even the alley. They weren't deterred by the winding line out the front door.

"This is something that brought us to Chicago, there's no doubt about that," said Dietrich, a 72-year-old Milwaukee resident.

Their destination? Mr. Beef, the no-frills sandwich joint featured on Hulu's smash hit, "The Bear." It's the first stop on their guided food tour inspired by the series.

A traditional Chicago sandwich shop may seem like an unconventional excursion. But since "The

"I just think the show is so authentic. And you can practically taste the food when you watch."

— *Claudia Dietrich, a 72-year-old Milwaukee resident and fan of "The Bear"*

Bear" debuted, tourists have flocked in droves to Mr. Beef, which opened in River North in 1963. Ahead of Season 3's release Wednesday, its cult following is surging with renewed enthusiasm.

Just ask one of the food tour's 30 patrons, who were bused to six restaurants in River North, the West Loop and Logan Square last Friday afternoon. Many of the restaurants on the tour served as filming locations for the series.

"I just think the show is so authentic," Dietrich said after sampling an Italian beef sandwich with giardiniera. "And you can practically taste the food when you watch."

"The Bear" follows Carmy, a young gourmet chef who seeks to transform his late brother's sandwich shop into a fine dining establishment. There, he

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US gun violence a 'health crisis'

Surgeon general urges problem be seen as kids' issue

By **Ellen Barry**
The New York Times

The U.S. surgeon general, Dr. Vivek Murthy, on Tuesday declared gun violence in America a public health crisis, recommending an array of preventive measures that he compared to past anti-smoking and traffic safety campaigns.

The step follows years of calls by health officials, including four of Murthy's predecessors, to view firearm deaths through the lens of health rather than politics.

The National Rifle Association has vigorously opposed this framing and promoted legislation that effectively quashed federal funding for research into gun violence for a quarter-century.

Murthy's 32-page advisory calls for an increase in funding for firearm violence prevention research; advises health workers to discuss firearm storage with patients during routine medical visits; and recommends safe storage laws, universal background checks, "red flag" laws and an assault weapons ban, among other measures.

"I've long believed this is a public health issue," he said in an interview. "This issue has been politicized, has been polarized over time. But I think when we understand that this is a public health issue, we have the opportunity to take it out of the realm of politics and put it into the realm of public health."

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NASCAR returns with shorter setup, fewer skeptics

By **Robert Channick**
Chicago Tribune

The NASCAR Chicago Street Race is back for Year 2, with an accelerated and less disruptive setup schedule, the addition of single-day ticket sales to boost attendance and hopes that Mother Nature will cooperate to help the July Fourth weekend event gain more traction.

The first viewing structures have already risen along the lakefront, and major street closures are scheduled to begin today. Unlike last year, a once-way Chicago has barely noticed.

With one event under its belt, the premise of blocking off traffic for weeks so race cars can careen through Grant Park, down Lake Shore Drive and up Michi-



Workers construct a three-story grandstand in Grant Park on June 13 in anticipation of the NASCAR Chicago Street Race. **BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

gan Avenue, seems to be eliciting a collective shrug from the City of Big Shoulders.

"I think the big difference this year versus last year is people have an understand-

ing of what the event is and how it comes together and what to expect," said Julie Giese, 46, president of NASCAR's Chicago Street Race. "It wasn't as bad as

everyone expected last year as far as moving around the city."

Tim Calkins, a marketing professor at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, said Chicagoans are generally less concerned after seeing NASCAR successfully pull off the first street race in its 75-year history amid biblical rains last summer.

"They understand there's some appeal to it, and they're much more open-minded to welcome the event to the city," he said.

The Grant Park 220, a nationally televised Cup Series race July 7, will again feature a 12-turn, 2.2-mile course lined with temporary fences, grandstands and hospitality suites. An

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