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## **PRESS RELEASE**

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the DeKalb Police Department began investigating a report of an aggravated battery to a child. Officers met with the victim and his mother at Kishwaukee Community Hospital. The victim is three years old.

The victim sustained injuries to his genitals which caused bruising, swelling and a laceration.

The investigation into the abuse led to the arrest of the victim's mother's boyfriend, Keith Crist. Crist was upset after learning that the victim soiled his diaper. Crist then struck the victim in the penis with his fist and with a large toy. Crist also struck the victim in the anal area with his fist.

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Keith Crist was arrested for two counts of Aggravated Battery. Crist is twenty one years of age and resides in the 6800 block of Emerald in Chicago, Illinois. Crist is currently incarcerated at the DeKalb County Jail awaiting for his bond to be set.

The DeKalb Police Department encourages the public to notify their local police department or the Department of Children and Family Services if they suspect anyone in abusing children.

The DeKalb Police Department would encourage anyone having information regarding this case to contact our Detective Division, Crime Stoppers, or utilize "I Watch" app on your smart phone if you have any information.

Contact: Commander Redel

The contents of this press release are based upon the best information available to the DeKalb Police Department. The statements regarding the conduct of any person identified above are allegations until affirmatively proven in Court. All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

# iWatch DeKalb. Do You?

Send Crime Tips from the Web or Your Mobile Phone.  
Anywhere, Anytime. Anonymously.



## What is iWatch?

iWatch is a mobile crime watch tool that you and your neighbors can use to report suspicious or criminal activity. It's a proactive, hands-on, partnership between you, the citizens of DeKalb and the DeKalb Police Department.

## Why should I report these behaviors and activities?

You are the eyes and ears of your community. Your awareness of suspicious behaviors and activities and reporting it to the police can help solve crimes or prevent crimes.

## What should I report?

Give as many details as possible, for example:

- √ Time of day
- √ Where it happened
- √ What you witnessed
- √ A description of individual(s) involved
- √ Was there a vehicle?
- Color and license plate number?
- √ Have you seen this activity before?

## There are four ways to report:

- √ Report online at iWatch.com
- √ Text a tip to 1-(815) 673-7603
- √ Use the FREE downloadable app
- √ Call 1-(815) 673-7603

**If you have an emergency and need the police immediately do not use iWatch, call 911.**

**If you see something, say something.**

*A simple observation, a single report can help solve or prevent a crime.*

*If one person can make a difference, consider what an entire community can do.*

*I Watch DeKalb. Do You?  
Gene Lowery, Chief of Police*

## **iWatch. I Report. I Keep Us Safe.**

*see something say something*

iWatch applications are available for a wide range of smartphones, visit iWatch.com.



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Emergencies: 911 ~ iWatch Tip Line: 815-673-7603  
Alternate emergency number: 410-313-2911 ~ Non-emergencies: 815-748-8400