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Update

DEKALB POLICE ANNOUNCE ADDITIONAL CHARGES AGAINST BRENTON STOBERT

On October 11th, 2019, at 4:50 P.M., the DeKalb Police Department continued the investigation into suspicious material found during an execution of a search warrant at 1100 West Lincoln Highway in DeKalb. Through this investigation, police learned of a storage unit that Strobert had access to. The rural unit was subsequently searched by police. During this search, additional materials were found including numerous cut pipes, unknown chemicals, and other materials that appeared to be items used to create explosives.

The Kane County Bomb Squad and Federal Bureau of Investigation responded to assist. They determined that the material was in an energetic state and not safe for transport or storage. A robot and x-ray machine were utilized to safely inspect the contents of the storage unit. An item that appeared to be a fully constructed explosive device was located. Additionally, firearm ammunition, Ammonium Nitrate, and other precursors to manufacture Triacetone Triperoxide explosives (aka TATP) were also located. The Kane County Bomb Squad later destroyed the explosive material in a safe manner without risk to public safety.

On October 15th, 2019, a warrant was issued for the arrest of Brenton Strobert, 26 years of age, for the offenses of Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Unlawful Possession of Ammunition by a felon, and Unlawful Possession of Ammunition without a Firearms Owners Identification Card. Strobert is being held at the DeKalb County Jail in lieu of bond.

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