

Sheriff's Office starts bike patrols of Canalway Trail

LOCKPORT – Niagara County Sheriff James R. Voutour and County Legislator Tony Nemi announces that that the Sheriff Office will begin bicycle patrols of the newly opened section of the Erie Canalway Trail between downtown Lockport and Feigle Road in Pendleton.

Undersheriff Michael J. Filicetti said two deputies will be assigned to spend about 100 hours on the trail beat through Labor Day. The county was allowed to redirect about \$5,000 of a \$30,000 state Canal Corp. grant that funds boat patrols in the canal.

Voutour said there have been a couple of incidents of vandalism on the trail already, but there are other concerns, too.

“There are women who walk that trail by themselves and a lot of it is hidden by trees,” the sheriff said.