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## ST. PARIS

# Village breaks ground for new solar array at well field

### Citizen Staff Report

ST. PARIS – The village of St. Paris will begin drawing energy from a ground-mounted 66.24 kW solar electric system at its South High Street well field.

Solar panels will be timed to power the water pumps during peak sunlight hours. The new system will provide approximately 76,000 kilowatt hours per year of solar energy at a lower rate than that of DP&L. The village will purchase the solar-powered electricity directly from Solar Power and Light (SP&L) of Miamisburg, which agreed to buy the solar array and equipment from Dovetail Solar and Wind through a power-purchase agreement.

As part of the three-party agreement, the village is not responsible for installation, maintenance or decommissioning costs. The village only will pay for electricity generated by the solar modules, which will come at a discounted rate made available through state alternative energy tax incentives.

Village officials and representatives of Dovetail, SP&L and the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce were on hand Thursday for the groundbreaking ceremony.

Dave Faulkner, economic development consultant for the village, said the village's Community Improvement Corporation wants to help finance green energy systems for local businesses through power-purchase agreements with green energy developers. With enforcement of state mandates for alternative energy pending, village officials say they want to continue this green energy trend.

"Using green energy systems is our 'new normal' approach to help control the costs of public services and to help our local business community take con-



Pictured at the groundbreaking ceremony for the solar array Thursday morning are: Village Councilman Lynn Miller, SP&L representative Brett Henderson (a St. Paris native), Village Administrator Joe Sampson, Village Mayor Joe Braden, village economic development consultant Dave Faulkner, Champaign County Chamber of Commerce representative Andrea Tullis, Chamber of Commerce Director Tina Knotts, Dovetail Regional Sales Manager Siobhan Pritchard and John Haulman of Champaign Excavating (on the tow plow in back).

rol of its energy future," said Village Administrator Joe Sampson in a statement released by Faulkner on Thursday.

"This project enables communities such as the Village of St. Paris to reduce their energy costs and

lower their environmental impact," said Dovetail Vice President Al Frasz in the same statement.

Officials maintain the village's new solar energy system will keep more than 1,500 tons of carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere over the next 25 years.

## SENIOR MENUS

The upcoming weekly senior menu offered by Tri-County CAC is as follows:

**Monday, April 18:** Chicken Parmesan, Pasta & Sauce, Italian Style Baked Beans, Broccoli, Prunes, Garlic Bread, Milk

**Tuesday, April 19:** Beef & Veggie Stew, Rissolle Potatoes, Perfection

Salad, Biscuit w Margarine, WW Crackers, Milk

**Wednesday, April 20:** Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Diced Peaches, Biscuit w Margarine, Milk

**Thursday, April 21:** Johnny Marzetti w Beef over Pasta, Corn, Cauliflower Parmesan, Winter Fruit

Salad, Breadstick w Margarine, Milk  
**Friday, April 22:** BBQ Chicken Patty, Sweet Potatoes, Carrots, Tropical Fruit, Cornbread, Graham Crackers, Milk

Meals are served:  
•Monday-Friday: 11:30 a.m.-noon, St. Paris First Baptist Church; 11 a.m.-noon, CAP Center, Urbana

•Wednesday: 11:30 a.m.-noon, M'burg Village Apartments and North Lewisburg municipal building

•Thursday: 11:30 a.m.-noon, Christiansburg United Methodist Church  
Diners must register at least 24 hours in advance by calling (866) 256-4497.

## LOTTERY

Thursday: Pick 3 Evening 9-1-3 (nine, one, three) Pick 3 Midday 9-0-5 (nine, zero, five) Pick 4 Evening 9-2-8-2	(nine, two, eight, two) Pick 4 Midday 4-6-7-4 (four, six, seven, four) Rolling Cash 5 04-12-15-18-34 (four, twelve, fifteen, eight- een, thirty-four) Estimated jackpot: \$110,000	Ten OH Evening 03-04-20-24-25-29-32-44-50- 52-53-54-58-60-69-73-74-75-79-80 Ten OH Midday 02-03-07-08-14-20-23-26-33- 38-48-53-69-70-71-72-73-74-76-77 Wednesday Powerball: 4-23-39-49-50. Powerplay: 3
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## SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

The Champaign County Senior Center hours are 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays. Call 653-6088 to learn more.

**Monday, April 18**  
9 a.m. - Chair volleyball  
10:15 a.m. - Tap class  
1 p.m. - Art Class  
1 p.m. - Bridge Club  
5:15 p.m. - Guys and Dolls

**Tuesday, April 19**  
9 a.m. - Needlework  
9 a.m. - Wii games  
11:30 a.m. - Pizza meal provided by Vancrest of Urbana. RSVP by noon Monday to 653-5352  
1 p.m. - Quilting

**Wednesday, April 20**  
Noon - Lions Lunch  
2 p.m. - Hula  
7 p.m. - Line dancing

**Thursday, April 21**  
10 a.m. - Movin' with Malinda  
10 a.m. - Southwest Bowl  
1 p.m. - Card Club

**Friday, April 22**  
Good Friday - Center closed

**Wii Game Scores**  
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Brenda - 165  
Dean - 187  
Melvin - 152

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**Steve Mabry - Auctioneer / Realtor**  
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