

Dollar General coming soon to Pekin

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Pekin residents will soon have a new place to shop. A Dollar General store is currently being constructed at 424 East State Road 60. The store will have 9,014 total square feet, and will employ approximately six to ten people, depending on the need. In this current down turned economy, these new job openings will be a much welcomed addition to Pekin families.

The store itself will feature a new layout which will make shopping easier for customers. Highlights of this store will include, more convenient cash register locations away from the main entryway, seasonal products featured in the center of the store, coolers in the front of the store plus more visible department signage inside.

Dollar General offers customers brands and products used most, such as health and beauty products, cleaning supplies, housewares, stationary, seasonal goods, basic clothing, packaged food products, refrigerated foods and frozen foods. The majority of products sold in the store are \$10 or less, with nearly 25% of products priced at \$1 or less.

This will be the first Dollar General store to serve Pekin and the second in Washington County. Dollar General currently has 320 stores in Indiana.

Dollar General also supports literacy and education, having founded the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. At the cash register of every Dollar General store, customers interested in learning how to read, speak English or get their GED may pick up a brochure with a postage-paid reply card that they can mail in for referral to a local organization which offers free literacy services.

At this time an exact date of the grand opening is not known, but construction should be completed by January of 2010. Temple and Temple Excavating & Paving, Inc. is handling the construction. Join St. Mary of the Knobs to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in style! Their 4th Annual Reverse Raffle is set for Friday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. Only 100 tickets sold in increments of \$100, \$50, and \$25. Total cash prizes of \$5,500 – even losers have a second chance to win!