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Mabel's Table

Near Route 3 in Olive Branch, you will find a family-owned, family-friendly, delightfully charming restaurant called Mabel's Table. If you like southern cooking with a menu full of delicious choices, please make this your stop for lunch and dinner. **Jesse L. Yates**

Owner Tara Story is proud to cook and serve her customers, and has a sincere sparkle in her eye as she discusses her feelings about Mabel's Table. "I enjoy visiting with people so much. I have a lot of experience waitressing, but I am happiest in the kitchen. I love to cook," Tara explains. "My inspiration in naming the restaurant comes from my grandmother Mabel from Thebes, and my employees help keep things running smoothly."

Mabel's Table employs 12 and is located at 22400 Lost Acres Road. In addition to its dining room, it offers a banquet room which seats up to 40 customers comfortably. Many reunions, parties and business meetings are held at the restaurant.

SIEC member and Mabel's Table repeat customer Larry Prater says, "Tara's loved by everyone around here."

This is obvious when you walk in the door. So, if you enjoy eating food like your grandma used to make, while being served with a friendly smile, then you must visit Mabel's Table soon.



*Back row from left: Shirley Tucker, Amber Tucker and Kendra Pullet.
Front row from left: Brittney Mitchell and owner, Tara Story.*



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Hours & Specials:

Monday – Thursday – 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. (lunch & dinner specials)

Friday – 6 a.m. – 9 p.m. (evening special – Fish & Frog Legs)

Saturday – 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. (evening special – Steak Night...every other Sat.)

Sunday – 6 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Fried Chicken and Chicken & Dumplings)

Daily menu options available

2012 Electric Cooperative Scholarships Available

Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative (SIEC) General Manager/Executive Vice President Larry Lovell has announced that the Illinois electric cooperatives will again in 2012 award seven academic scholarships to high school seniors through a memorial scholarship fund designed to financially assist deserving students in the “electric cooperative family.” In addition, an eighth scholarship – to assist with costs in attending an electric line-worker school – will also be offered.

The eight scholarships of \$1,250 each will be awarded in 2012 through the Thomas H. Moore Illinois Electric Cooperatives (IEC) Memorial Scholarship Program.

Four scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who are the sons or daughters of an Illinois electric cooperative member receiving service from the cooperative. A fifth scholarship, the Earl W. Struck Memorial Scholarship, will be awarded to a student who is the son or daughter of an Illinois electric cooperative employee. The sixth and seventh scholarships are reserved

for students enrolling full-time at a two-year Illinois community college who are the sons or daughters of Illinois electric cooperative members, employees or directors.

A new eighth annual scholarship, the “LaVern and Nola McEntire Lineworker’s Scholarship,” was awarded for the first time in 2011. This \$1,250 scholarship will help pay for costs to attend the line-worker’s school conducted by the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives in conjunction with Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield, Ill. LaVern McEntire served as a lineman for McDonough Power Electric Cooperative from 1949 until 1991. He and his wife, Nola, endowed the new scholarship to financially assist deserving individuals in becoming trained lineworkers. Sons and daughters of co-op members; relatives of co-op employees or directors; and individuals who have served or are serving in the armed forces or National Guard are all eligible for the line-worker’s scholarship. *Irene Martin*
“We hope to assist electric coop-

erative youth while honoring past rural electric leaders with these scholarships,” says Lovell. “SIEC and the other Illinois electric cooperatives are always seeking ways to make a difference in our communities. One of the best ways we can do that is by helping our youth through programs like this one. In addition, we are very pleased to offer the electric lineworker’s scholarship. It will benefit not only electric cooperative youth but also those fine men and women who have served their country through their military service and may now desire to become a trained lineworker.”

For more information regarding the scholarships, contact Jerri Schaefer at 1-800-762-1400 or email jschaefer@siec.coop. All necessary paperwork has been sent to area high school guidance counselors and is also available for download at SIEC’s website at www.siec.coop.



Please donate!

Thank you SIEC members and employees for graciously responding to our Lite 4 Bite program through Touchstone Energy! We would love more donations, and we enjoy giving you the free compact fluorescent lights (CFLs) to help you become more energy efficient. Please come to our Dongola office and donate to our food drive for the local food pantries in Alexander, Johnson, Massac, Pulaski and Union Counties. An estimated 2,700 people per month in our area rely on the kindness of people like you. We sincerely appreciate your support!

Capital Credit Refunds

Look for your capital credit refunds (if you are eligible) on this month's electric bill. As of the date of this writing (September 28, 2011) our plan is to have capital credit refunds distributed in November.

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There's still time teachers ...

Apply for a \$500 classroom grant by Nov. 4!

As a part of its commitment to community, SIEC is offering six Touchstone Energy Classroom Empowerment Grants to innovative, unfunded projects or materials. Qualifying projects are those that improve the learning environment or increase educational resources for the school.

Richard D. Kindle

Local and private K-12 school administrators or teachers must submit a grant application that can be obtained from SIEC. The application requests information about the project, the school and the applicant. A panel of judges will determine which projects will be awarded the six grants of \$500 each.

School administrators or teachers must complete and mail, e-mail or fax a grant application to the address or number on the registration form by November 4. The grant awards



will be announced on December 9. For more information about Touchstone Energy Classroom Empowerment Grants, please contact Jerri Schaefer at SIEC at

1-800-762-1400, email jschaefer@siec.org, or download a grant application from the SIEC website www.siec.coop.

Apprentice Linemen advance to Journeymen



Aaron Stover of Buncombe & Robert Nelson of Ullin advance from Apprentice Linemen to SIEC's most recent Journeymen Linemen. Congratulations to you both!



Southern's office will
be closed Friday,
November 11 for
Veterans Day.

