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Can the Red Sox Repeat?

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It has been a long winter in New England. Spring is coming and that means the start of the Boston Red Sox Season. Last year was magical for the Red Sox. Hopes are high for the 2014 Season. Major League Baseball opens the 2014 Season on March 22 in Sydney, Australia, when the L.A. Dodgers face the Arizona Diamondbacks.

The Red Sox didn't make many changes in the offseason after winning the 2013 World Series. Jarrod Saltalamacchia was let go and signed by the Miami Marlins. In his place the Red Sox signed veteran catcher A.J. Pierzynski from the Chicago White Sox, who will split time with David Ross. The Sox also signed former Cleveland Indians star outfielder Grady Sizemore, who is coming off a serious injury which has limited his play the last couple of seasons. If Sizemore can get healthy again, this could be a great signing. The team also made a couple of minor signings to help their bullpen. The biggest move of the offseason was the loss of Jacoby Ellsbury, who signed with the New York Yankees for

big money. The Red Sox did not seem interested in having to pay Ellsbury the money it would have required. Pitcher Ryan Dempster also announced recently that he will be retiring for at least the 2014 Season.

Most experts are not sure what to expect from the Red Sox in 2014 because they are viewed as standing still, while other teams made significant moves in the offseason. That being said, the Red Sox still have excellent starting pitching. They also had great clubhouse chemistry in 2013, and most key players will return. There are many that believe the Red Sox will be World Series contenders in 2014.

In 2014 the Red Sox's schedule for interleague play will include teams from the National League Central. They will play the Atlanta Braves, who are considered the Red Sox's natural rival. The new teams the Red Sox will be playing are: the St. Louis Cardinals, the Cincinnati Reds, the Pittsburgh Pirates, and the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Red Sox have raised ticket prices for 2014 by an average of 4.8%. This is the first ticket increase in three years. The changes in ticket prices will depend on the type of seat you purchase. A Field Box ticket for Opening Day

will cost \$165.00 or \$160.00; a Loge Box is \$129.00 or \$123.00; a Pavilion Box will be \$101.00 or \$85.00; an Infield Grandstand will be \$73.00 or \$70.00; a Right Field Box will be \$ 70.00 or \$65.00; an Outfield Grandstand will be \$42.00; the Bleachers will be \$40.00; the Budweiser Right Field Box Standing Room will be \$40.00; a Pavilion Standing Room will be \$35.00; a General Standing Room will be \$30.00; and the Upper Bleachers will be \$20.00.

My prediction for the 2014 Season is that the Red Sox should do as well as they did last year during the regular season. Having a solid starting rotation, plus the majority of key players back from a great clubhouse, should lead to success. Whether or not they win the World Series again is the question. As for predictions on several of the key players: David Ortiz will do great like last year at First Base when the Red Sox play National League Teams, and as Designated Hitter against American League Teams. Dustin Pedroia is the Second Baseman for the Red Sox. He had a great season in 2013, and he made a lot of important outs. Also, he hit the baseball very well for the Red Sox. I hope he will do great again in 2014.

New McAdams Movie Does Not Disappoint

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With all of the Oscar Nominees being celebrated before even debuting, many movies are under everyone's radar. One of these movies happens to be About Time, one I have seen and recommended to every living soul. Instead of praising the Oscar Winners and Nominees (don't get me wrong, they're amazing), this article is about an under-the-radar film, one that more people should definitely check out. About Time is a light-hearted romantic comedy featuring Rachel McAdams and Domhnall Gleeson. Do not be fooled by it being a "rom-com," a term many cringe at; I was initially reluctant to see it for that reason. With all of the romance movies debuting around Valentine's Day, it became lost in the crowd for me until Chet's Video put it in the "New Releases" section. Since it seemed quite a few people were renting it, I decided to watch a new flick to put on my "picks" on the white board. About Time not only made it onto "Riley's Picks," it became

one of my favorite movies. Not to mention the fact that I love Rachel McAdams, and Domhnall Gleeson (the main character) played Bill Weasley in the Harry Potter films. Without giving too much away, I'm going to give a general synopsis of the flick. Tim Lake is an awkward man living in England wishing love would knock on his door, and he thinks he has just found the solution: time travel. Once he gets his sights set on Mary, the rest is history and he uses his gift to make every moment count. With the wisdom of his father and the help of his newfound time travel, Tim's life will never be the same. Okay, basically all of that information was mentioned in the trailer, so I didn't give too much away. Yes, my synopsis is extremely cheesy and very cliché, but I promise, you will not regret watching this! The trailer does not portray how incredible About Time is, and even though it seems like a "typical rom-com," I recommend it to all!

A Tucked-Away Gem

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Tucked away in Salem, The Old Spot is a hidden gem of a restaurant. This cozy pub serves delicious food, and it is a perfect place to eat during the fall and winter. Since the restaurant mostly serves comfort food, I went there with my family to celebrate running 10 miles. I was able to indulge in the excellent food that The Old Spot served. The Old Spot has a great atmosphere. Al

though it's dimly lit, it's decorated with interesting photos and other artwork, and it is very comfortable. The restaurant can be very busy, but the service is great (as well as the food!). If you go to The Old Spot no need to worry about dressing fancy- I wore a sweater, corduroys, and boots when I went. Although the atmosphere etc. is important, the food is definitely the most important. After enjoying some fresh, flavorsome focaccia to start, when you see your food being brought over,

that's when your mouth begins to water. When I went, I got the deluxe cheeseburger, and I was not disappointed. I recommend ordering that, or the green salad (with steak tips, because they make it even more delicious). Since the portions are so large, it's a little difficult to save room for dessert. Make sure you do try one of their rich and decadent desserts, though, because they don't disappoint. I ordered the pint of trifle, which was fantastic. I also recommend the "spotted dick" bread

pudding, which was also delicious. It's hard to not leave the restaurant stuffed with wonderful comfort food! If you're ever looking to try a new restaurant, The Old Spot is a great place to go, especially on cold nights. With all the other restaurants nearby, especially in Salem, it's hard to notice The Old Spot, but if you give it a try, it just might become one of your favorite restaurants!

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The red carpet led the way from the front door down to two theaters where the Oscars were playing. Before the awards show began, guests could either watch in the no-talking luxury cinema or eat, play Oscar Bingo, and talk in the screening room. There was wonderful food in the screening room where friends mingled before the Oscars began at 8:30 while drinks and unlimited popcorn were also provided to the guests. A raffle was held a little before the Oscars began and guests who had purchased tickets had the opportunity to win baskets from such Marblehead establishments as Ohh La La and Chet's Video. Once the show started, everyone filed into the Warwick's luxury cinema to watch film's biggest night on the big screen! The fun didn't stop once the show started, either. The audience in the theater was completely engaged in the show and it seemed like you were in the Kodak Theater with the stars. Everyone clapped when their favorite won an award, laughed at Ellen's jokes and a few even danced to Pharrell Williams's song "Happy" when he performed.

By attending the Oscar party, guests not only got to enjoy all the great perks provided by Warwick Cinemas, FoPA and their sponsors, but by purchasing a ticket they also contributed to FoPA's ability to fund programs for the high school and scholarships for seniors. I am so happy that FoPA invited me to their first annual soiree for the Oscars. It was an incredibly fun night and anyone who missed it this year I encourage to attend next year.

A Great Night, Sponsored by FoPA

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The glitz, the glamour, the tuxedos, the dresses... The red carpet! The Oscars arrived in

Marblehead on Sunday at Warwick Place and Cinema in an event for the Friends of the Performing Arts (FoPA). Guests arrived dressed ready for the red carpet where they had the opportunity to have

their picture taken with full-size Oscar statues. There were also tuxedo-clad performing arts students waiting by the entrance to get your coat for you, a nice elegant touch. FoPA and Warwick Place and

Cinema owner Harold Blank did a fantastic job creating a stylish environment for Oscar viewing. A three-piece Jazz ensemble played before the awards show began and added to the atmosphere - a nice

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