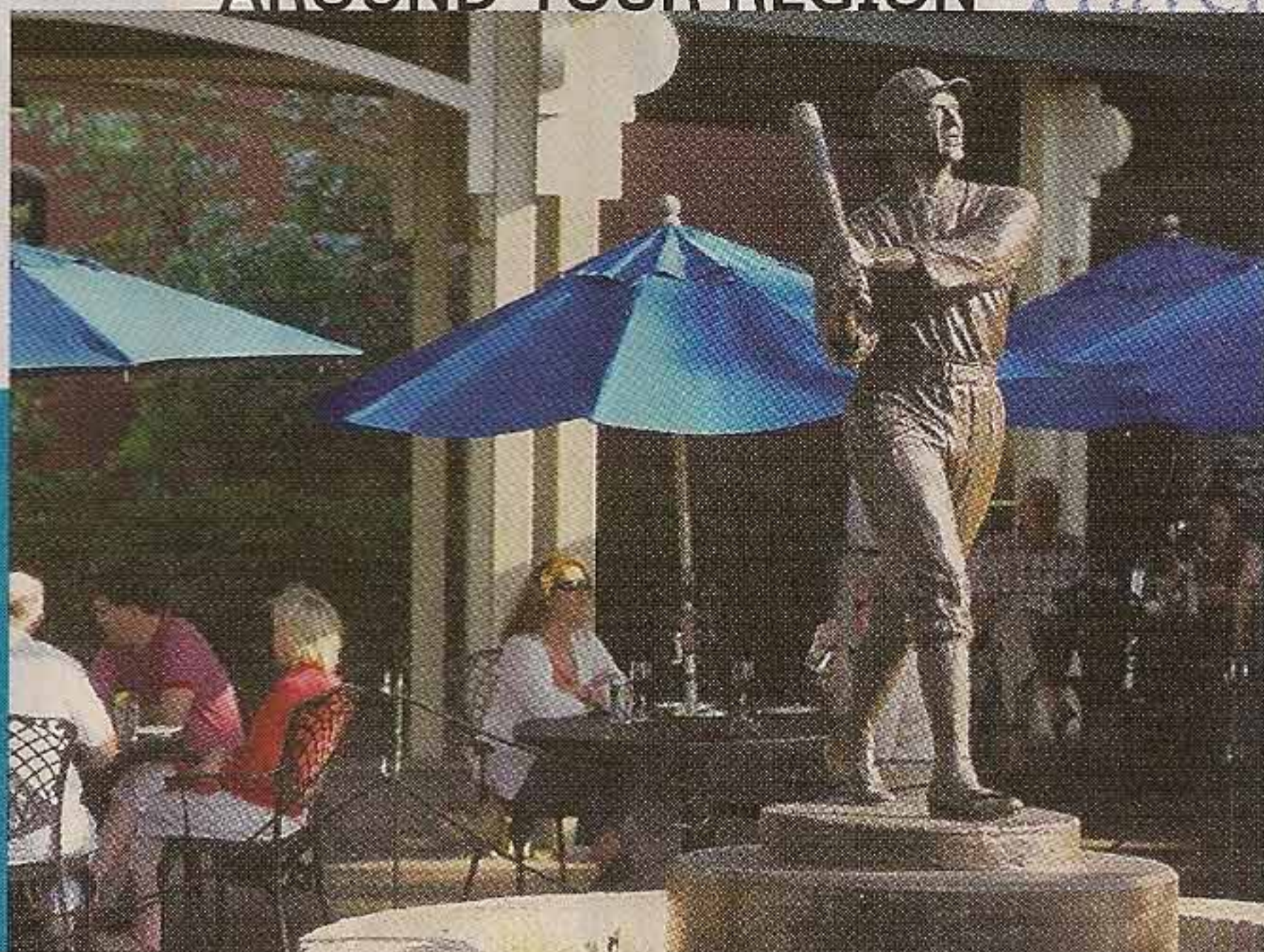


Shoeless Joe Jackson, a Pickens County native, holds the third highest batting average of all time at .356. You can see a statue of him one block from Greenville's Fluor Field at The West End.



24 Hours in Greenville

Park your car and get out on foot to explore the attractions in this action-filled Upstate city. By **Annette Thompson**

You can pack a lot into a day in this South Carolina city. The downtown and West End just keep improving—especially around two big parks. Best of all, Greenville is entirely walkable. So leave your car in the hotel garage and set out for round-the-clock fun.

Saturday Early Afternoon

The new Hampton Inn & Suites RiverPlace is our pick for where to stay. Generally, check-in begins later in the afternoon, but you can park your vehicle and leave your luggage. 171 Riverplace; www.hamptoninnandsuitesgreenville.com or (864) 271-8700. Rates: from \$149.

Spend your afternoon exploring Main Street shops spreading out on either side of Falls Park on the Reedy River. Don't miss the Christopher Park Gallery. 608 South Main Street; www.chickenmanart.com or (864) 232-6744.

When the hungries hit, wander to Northampton Wines & Café for lunch. On Saturday, this combo wine shop/wine bar/upscale eatery serves goodies such as frittatas, crab cakes, and crêpes till 3:30 p.m. 211-A East Broad Street; www.northamptonwines.com or (864) 271-3919.

Late Afternoon Check in to the Hampton Inn after 3 p.m. Ask for a room overlooking the Reedy. Each offers ample space with 32-inch high-definition TVs, Cloud Nine beds, and upscale bath fixtures.

Evening Put your walking shoes back on, and head to Fluor Field at The West End for an evening with the Greenville Drive. Modeled after Boston's Fenway Park, Fluor Field looks and feels like a major league facility. Inside, the replica of the 30-foot Green Monster outfield wall gives way to a view of downtown Greenville.

The Drive, a farm team for the World Series champs Boston Red Sox, play in the South Atlantic League. 945 South Main Street; www.greenvilledrive.com or (864) 240-4528. Tickets: start at \$5.

Sunday Morning Head to brunch at High Cotton Maverick Bar & Grill. Try the fried buttermilk oysters garnished with arugula and dressed lightly in Green Goddess. And we love the duck hash with mustard 'cue sauce served with sunny-side-up eggs. It tastes so good, you'll be planning your next trip to Greenville to do it all again. 550 South Main Street; www.mavericksouthernkitchens.com or (864) 335-4200. ●