

Tendal and Royce Mann with Mayor Kasim Reed for "All the Latest ATL."

A Star among Us: Atlanta Film Premiere Features Neighborhood Kid

On Sunday, January 24, Atlantans will have an opportunity to attend the premiere of Who Do You Love, a feature film that will be shown as a special closing event in the Atlanta Jewish Film Festival. The biopic of Leonard Chess, one of the brothers behind the Chicago blues label Chess Records, features wonderful music, settings of the 1950s and '60s, and the acting talents of one of Lake Claire's own—eleven-yearold Tendal Mann, who has a supporting role as Chess's son Marshall in nine scenes.

Who Do You Love is Tendal's first feature film, but he has been acting professionally since he was seven, when he was cast as Tiny Tim in A Christmas Carol at the Alliance Theater. He had asked

to audition, having seen his parents-Sheri Mann Stewart and Barry Stewart Mann—act all his life (when he outgrew the role at age ten, his brother, Royce, asked to audition—and was cast—at the age of seven. Royce is now in his second year in the role.) The talented and prolific family have appeared on stage and in film and television: aside from their work in A Christmas Carol, Tendal received rave reviews for his portrayal of Dill in To Kill aMockingbird (Theatrical Outfit), and both boys were cast in 1:23 last spring at Synchronicity Theater, for which they received an Ensemble Suzi Award nomination (Tendal's second), and in Bunnicula with Synchronicity this fall; Sheri is reprising the role she played in Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married? (Professor Stewart) this spring, in Why Did I Get Married Too?; and Royce recently appeared as Tiny Tim in "Good Eats" on the Food Network. All three have pages at IMDB.com, an indication of professional status.

Tendal shot his part in the film in New Orleans a year and a half ago, when he was nine. When it premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival last fall, he walked the red carpet and signed autographs. But celebrity has certainly not gone to his head: he and his brother donate a portion of what they earn from their acting jobs to a charity of their choice, often something related to the job. (Of what re-

mains, they spend a bit and put the rest into savings for college.) Both Tendal and Royce are hardworking actors—they have agents in Atlanta and Los Angeles and are being considered for national film and TV roles. The artistic director of the Alliance, Susan Booth, has said they are Love continued on page 2

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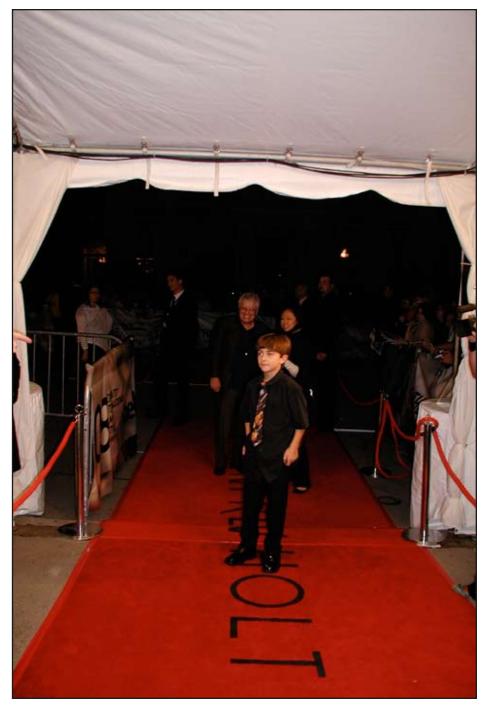
About Who Do You Love

"The rise and fall of music industry pioneer Leonard Chess gets an inspired big-screen treatment in WHO DO YOU LOVE, a toe-tapping biopic rich with sentimental tunes and settings of the 1950s and '60s. A Jewish nightclub owner from Poland, Leonard (Alessandro Nivola) rose from obscurity after founding the Chicago-based label Chess Records with his brother Phil. Without playing a note, the pair changed the face of modern music by popularizing such extraordinary blues and rock talents as Muddy Waters, Chuck Berry, and Bo Diddley. As the music around them transformed, so too did their strained family lives. Replete with punchy dialogue and a seductive soundtrack, WHO DO YOU LOVE explores the professional success and personal sacrifices of the Jewish entrepreneurs and rising black artists who together reinvented the entertainment world. Directed by theater titan Jerry Zaks (Six Degrees of Separation)."

—From the website of the Atlanta Jewish Film Festival

View the trailer at http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=who+do+you+love+trailer&search_type=&aq=f.





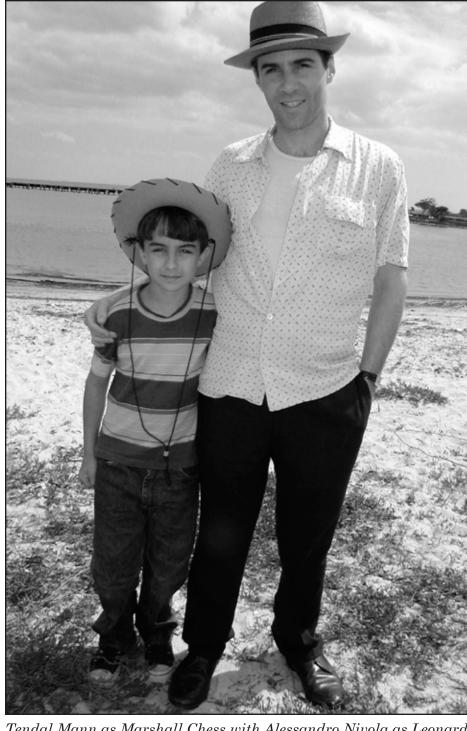
Tendal on the red carpet at the world premiere.

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the steadiest working actors in Atlanta.

Sheri, Barry, Tendal, and Royce live in Lake Claire Cohousing, at the corner of DeKalb and Connecticut, next to the Land Trust (Sheri and Barry have been there since it began, thirteen years ago). The kids are homeschooled in the unschooling philosophy by Sheri, who





Tendal Mann as Marshall Chess with Alessandro Nivola as Leonard Chess in Who Do You Love.

is a filmmaker/director/writer and teacher as well as an actor who serves on the board of Screen Actors Guild, and Barry, who is a professional storyteller, teacher, and actor serving on the board of Atlanta Partnership for Arts and Learning (APAL). Each family member is an actor in his or her own right, but their acting is also a family affair: the boys served as youth hosts for "All the Latest ATL," a TV show Sheri

produced this fall, and starred in a short film she directed, *Hurricanado*, currently in post-production.

To see Tendal in his role as Marshall Chess, mark your calendar for January 24. The film will be screened at Lefont Sandy Springs at 8:10 p.m. and will be followed by a Q&A (with producer Jonathan Mitchell; actor David Oyelowo, who plays Muddy Waters; and moderator Brad Siegel of the Gospel Music Channel) and a dessert reception; the film will be screened the night before, on January 23, at Regal Medlock Crossing, in Alpharetta, without a Q&A. Tickets for the showing on January 24 are \$18. The film is rated R. For more information on the event, visit http://www. ajff.org/film/who-do-you-love. If vou can't make the event. look for the film to be released sometime this spring.





Next LCN Meeting

Thursday January 21

Lake Claire Neighbors meets every third Thursday of the month at the Frazer Center. Social time begins at 6:30 p.m.; the meeting begins at 7:00. Meetings are open to all. Check www. lakeclaire.org for updates to the meeting agenda.

From the Editor

In the story "Looking Back on Thirty Years of Hospitality," printed in the December issue of the Clarion, the bio for author Marilyn Schertz incorrectly stated that she no longer is a Lake Claire resident. Marilyn has lived in her home on Arizona Avenue since 1971.

We are still looking for a designer for our paper! If you have In-Design and a day or two to spare each month and want to contribute to a valuable neighborhood resource, we'd love to hear from you. Please e-mail Glenn Frankel at president@lakeclaire.org for more details.

Mark Your Calendar

January 1-March 11: "Wild Ocean" at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History's IMAX® Theatre. The film chronicles the annual migration of billions of sardines that travel up the KwaZulu-Natal shoreline. Set to the rhythmic dances and songs of South Africa, "Wild Ocean" features underwater footage by Atlanta resident D. J. Roller. As part of an environmental initiative sponsored by Nokia, visitors are invited to bring an old cell phone for recycling to Fernbank to receive free admission to "Wild Ocean" from January 15 to 24. IMAX® tickets are \$13 for adults, \$12 for students/seniors, \$11 for children ages 3-12, \$8 for museum members, and free for children ages 2 and under (on a space-available basis). For tickets and more information, call (404) 929-6400 or visit www. fernbankmuseum.org.

Wednesday, Jan 6: APS back to school

Thursday, Jan 21: Monthly LCN meeting at the Frazer Center, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Jan 22: Grady Chamber Concert at the Atlanta Women's Club, 7:00 p.m. Featuring the Grady High School Chamber Singers, the Grady Philharmonic Orchestra, and select singers from the Grady Music Department. Tickets are \$20; proceeds from the fundraiser benefit the Grady chorus and orchestra pro-

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grams. For more details, visit http://srt5.atlantapublicschools. us/grady/site/default.asp.

Sunday, Jan 24: Screening of *Who Do You Love* at 8:10 p.m. Closing event of the Atlanta Jewish Film Festival, Lefont Sandy Springs.

Claire's List

Do you have a service or an item that someone else might need or want—something that might add to your income or be a thrifty option for a neighbor? Let's help each other out in these tough times. Claire's List offers home-based services and merchandise for sale, rent, loan, barter, or free locally. It's also a place where you can post items or services you want. Add your posting for free by the 15th of the month prior to publication (e-mail to editor@lakeclaire.org).

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The Lake Claire Annual Holiday Party

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Historic Preservation News from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Poster available of Atlanta's neighborhood districts

The Atlanta Preservation Center has created a poster depicting the eleven city-designated historic and landmark neighborhood districts. These include Adair Park, Atkins Park, Cabbagetown, Castleberry Hill, Druid Hills, Grant Park, Inman Park, Martin Luther King Jr., Oakland City, West End, and Whittier Mill Village. Posters are \$10 each, plus \$5 for shipping and handling. For more information or to order, contact Marge Hays at marge@preserveatlanta.com.

Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery receives Save America's Treasures grant

Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery has received a \$200,000 Save America's Treasures grant, the only recipient in Georgia for 2009. The grant will fund the restoration and preservation of fifty-five intricate mausoleums that have deteriorated due to the passage of time or were damaged by the 2008 tornado. Founded in 1850 during the "garden cemetery" movement, the cemetery was one of Atlanta's first green spaces. Presently encompassing forty-eight acres and an estimated seventy thousand graves, it contains many important examples of sculpture and architecture. The cemetery was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. Read more about Oakland Cemetery at www.oaklandcemetery.com. Visit www.saveamericastreasures.org for information on Save America's Treasures.

NPU News You Can Use

As of November 30, 2009, the City of Atlanta has implemented a new web-based workflow management system called Accela that is designed to allow Atlanta residents, city agencies, and planning field staff to automate assigned tasks in permitting, code enforcement, community development, planning, inspections, and emergency response. In short, you don't have to make the trip to City Hall for many of your permitting needs, because the process is now largely online.

According to the Department of Planning and Community Development, "The launch of these online services is an important step in the city's goal to provide increased access to many of its building and planning activities. Residents and business owners can use the web portal to apply and pay for permits, schedule inspections, check the status of a permit or complaint inspection, or print an approved permit directly from the Internet. By allowing constituents to complete the entire application process online, the city is streamlining the process, and freeing up valuable staff time to process more complex applications."

With the new system, residents can now access code inspection updates in real time and post code violation complaints online. Field staff can conduct more inspections now that they don't have to come into the office to prepare documents, and with new wireless printers, officers can print citations and notices of violations in their vehicles.

For more information about this and other services of the City of Atlanta, visit www.atlantaga.gov. For guidance on getting a variance or on rezoning, visit the Variances & Rezoning page of the Lake Claire Neighbors website at http://www.lakeclaire.org/plan/zoning.htm.

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HGTV's "Bang for Your Buck" Coming to Atlanta

Home and Garden Television is looking for enthusiastic homeowners in the Atlanta area who have renovated a master suite within the last three years. If chosen, the homeowners will appear on HGTV's show "Bang for Your Buck." The episode will tour three similar remodels at similar price points in the greater Atlanta area. HGTV's design and real estate experts will determine how the renovation impacts each home's value while providing advice, answers on remodeling values, and ideas for design. Taping begins shortly, so if you are interested, send photos of your master suite and an application request to Brooke Schledewitz at bschledewitz@highnoontv.com, or call (303) 712-3168. "Bang for Your Buck" is produced for HGTV by High Noon Entertainment and airs Friday nights at 9:30.





Safety Report

October-November 2009

Watch out for your neighbors, and report any suspicious activity to 911 first and then to lake-claireneighborhoodwatch@yahoogroups.com.

AUTO THEFT

11/20 Fri 10:30–11:30 a.m.— 1500 blk DeKalb Ave. NE (parking lot)

1990 Maroon Chevy Astro Vehicle is paid for and was not impounded.

ENTERING AUTOMOBILE

11/10 Tues 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.— 1300 blk South Ponce de Leon Ave NE

2007 Honda

Passenger's side window smashed. Taken: Garmin GPS, purse and contents. No prints taken due to rain.

11/15 Sun **5:00–6:15 p.m.**— 1500 blk South Ponce de Leon Ave. NE

1989 Toyota 4Runner

Driver's side window smashed. Taken: Motorola cell phone, shoulder bag, cycling items,\$25 check, \$23 money order. No prints taken; vehicle had been cleaned.

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY 11/29 Sun 3:49–3:56 a.m.— Candler Park Market

Officer responded to an alarm call (REC: 3:59, DIS: 4:01, ARR: 4:06). The owner arrived, and the video surveillance showed that six B/M's had thrown a brick through the front window and stolen the listed items. The suspects arrived and fled in a newer model gold van (possibly a Dodge Caravan or Chrysler Town & Country). Taken: sunglasses, lottery tickets, \$60 in loose change, cigars, cigarettes, and bottles of wine. Suspects: Six B/M's, all wearing dark shirts or jackets and blue jeans.

PEDESTRIAN ROBBERY 11/27 Fri 6:40–6:50 p.m.— 1700 blk McLendon Ave NE

Weapon: Physical force

Victim was walking home from the Marta station when the suspect approached her and grabbed her purse. Victim tried to hold on to it but fell to the ground. After taking the purse, the suspects ran to an older white vehicle and fled the scene. Taken: Purse and contents. Suspect: B/M.

Lake Claire Security Patrol Has 48 Member Households

47 member households, 103 Still Needed to Reach Goal

Since the founding of the Lake Claire Security Patrol this fall, almost fifty households have signed up and paid the \$250 fee. In order to launch this effort, the LCSP needs at least 150 households to join. If you are interested or want to learn more about the proposed security patrol—including what it entails, how it works, how to join, and testimonials from residents of neighboring communities who participate in their neighborhood security patrols—visit the Lake Claire Security Patrol page of the LCN website at http://www.lakeclaire.org/lcn/safety.htm. You can also contact the head of the patrol and new VP of Safety for Lake Claire Neighbors, Jennifer Horn, at securitypatrol@lakeclaire.org with any questions.

Thank you, member households!

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Claire: 405, 430, 474, 492 McLendon: 1787, 1961, 2009, 2056, 2074

Clifton: 475 Connecticut: 248

Hardendorf: 411, 481, 491, 492, 495, 521, 532

Harold: 582

Indiana: 1813, 1820, 1827 Lakeshore: 410, 457, 496 Ridgecrest: 400, 410

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Make It a Greener 2010: Recycling Tips for the New Year

Make a fresh start (or at least get rid of all that holiday packaging in an eco-friendly way) by committing to recycle. Here is some helpful information on what to do with your recyclable waste in Atlanta.

Curbside Recycling

What Can You Recycle?

All hard plastic food containers and bottles numbered 1–7 in the chasing arrows—rinse

Glass jars and bottles (all colors)—rinse and remove lids Aluminum and steel cans, all shapes and sizes—rinse

Mixed paper, such as magazines, catalogs, junk mail, telephone books, and office paper

Newspaper, including all inserts

Shredded paper in a clear plastic bag

Dry cardboard cut to fit in recycling bin

What Can't You Recycle?

Food-contaminated boxes or paper

Wax-coated cartons

Plastic bags (these can be dropped off at recycling stations outside grocery stores like Publix)

Styrofoam

Tips for Proper Curbside Recycling

Do not place aerosol containers in the bin, as they are hazardous.

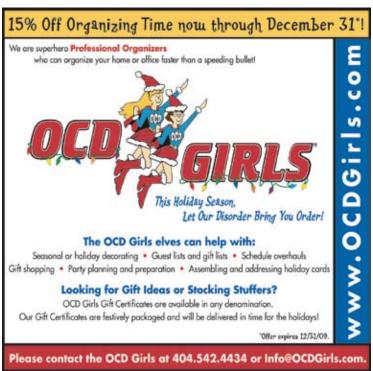
Do not use the recycling bin to dispose of leftover paint, paint thinner, household cleaners, batteries, or any other toxic materials.

Do not place plastic bags, plastic wrap, string, strapping tape, or any rubber or vinyl in the bin for recycling.

Remove newspapers from the plastic sleeve and place them on top of the other materials in the bin.

Recycling Cardboard and e-Waste

The City of Atlanta provides three drop-off locations for cardboard



and e-waste (televisions. radios, stereos, computers, cell phones, monitors, etc.). To drop off at these locations. you must prove your residence with an upto-date Georgia driver's license and a recent utility bill.

Flattened cardboard: 1540 Northside Drive, NW; 128 Claire Drive, SW

e-Waste (electronic waste and fluorescent bulbs): 2175 James Jackson Parkway, NW

Christmas Tree Recycling

Bring One for the Chipper, Georgia's annual Christmas tree recycling program, invites Atlanta residents to bring their trees to local drop-off centers on Saturday, January 9, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Atlanta locations are the Home Depot parking lots on Ponce de Leon Avenue and Sidney Marcus Boulevard.

Composting

For information on how to compost in Georgia, including what materials you can compost and how to create a compost pile, visit http://www.myecoville.com/us/ga/residential-recycling-programs/composting-yard-trimmings or http://www.dca.state.ga.us/development/EnvironmentalManagement/publications/composting.pdf. There is also a compost demonstration site, maintained by Fernbank Science Center, at 156 Heaton Park Drive, (404) 378-4314 ext. 318.

For more information on Atlanta recycling, call the Atlanta Recycling Hotline at (404) 792-1212. To find drop-off locations for toxic materials and other hard-to-place waste, visit www.earth911.com.

Volunteer Opportunity: Decatur's Martin Luther King Jr. Service Project

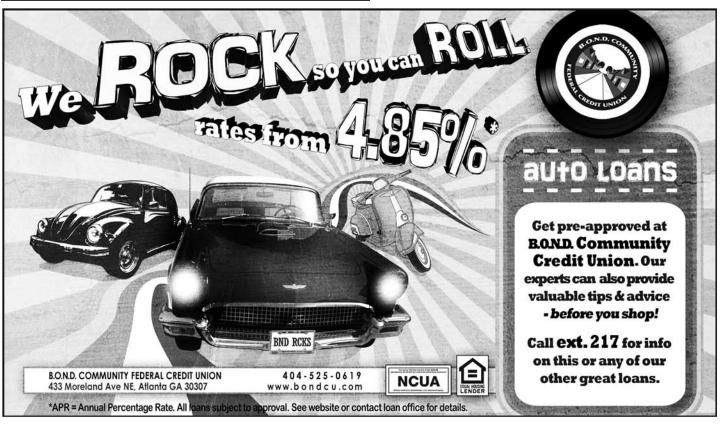
The eighth annual Martin Luther King Jr. Service Project will take place from Saturday, January 16, through Monday. January 18, 2010. Volunteers will work on the homes of Decatur senior



citizens, making greatly needed repairs and doing yard work that the elderly homeowners have been unable to afford. The MLK Jr. Service Project is sponsored by the Decatur Preservation Alliance in partnership with the City of Decatur and other organizations.

Volunteers may work one or more of the following shifts: Saturday, January 16: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. or 1:00–5:00 p.m.; Sunday, January 17: 1:00–5:00 p.m.; Monday, January 18: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. or 1:00–

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