The Nerve

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This Week — October 13, 2015

Paul Houghtaling

Director

University of Alabama Opera Theatre



Bass-baritone Paul Houghtaling is associate professor of voice and director of the Opera Theatre at the University of Alabama.

Dr. Houghtaling, who joined the UA faculty in the fall of 2007, has been hailed by critics for his work in a diverse repertoire spanning the 12th through the 21st centuries. Career highlights include performances at Carnegie Hall, the Lincoln Center and the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, as well as performances with the Alabama Symphony and opera companies and orchestras

throughout the U.S.

He is the 2015 recipient of UA's Morris Lehman Mayer Award, which honors a member of the teaching faculty who exemplifies selfless and significant service and leadership for the UA community, significant contributions to student life and integrity. He is also the recipient of the 2015 Druid Arts Award for Music Educator of the Year, given by the Arts and Humanities Council of Tuscaloosa, and the 2015 Outstanding Commitment to Teaching Award given by UA's National Alumni Association.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

OCTOBER 20 Jenny Mainz

Head coach UA women's tennis

OCTOBER 27 David Wilbur

Ret. Marine Lt. Col. President, Vetergy Group

NOVEMBER 27 Bryan Kindred

President and CEO DCH Health System Dr. Houghtaling is the artistic director of the Druid City Opera Workshop, a week-long young artist training intensive held at UA. He is a frequent presenter at national and regional conferences such as the College Music Society, National Opera Association, Alabama Music Teachers Association and the Classical Singer National Convention and College Expo.

His students perform with young artist programs and opera and wmusical theater companies across the country and are frequent finalists and winners at state and regional competitions.

He holds degrees from the College of the Holy Cross (B.A.), The New England Conservatory of Music (B.M.), Hunter College (M.A.) and the City University of New York (D.M.A.).



This Week in History

"Saturday Night Live" debuts on Oct. 11, 1975; John Denver dies in an aircraft accident on Oct. 12, 1997; the White House cornerstone is laid in the nation's new capital, Washington, D.C., on Oct. 13, 1792; Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., on Oct. 14, 1964, is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his nonviolent resistance to racial prejudice in America; Duke Ellington records his first big hit, "Mood Indigo," on Oct. 15, 1930; Marie Antoinette is beheaded on Oct. 16, 1793; Al Capone is sentenced to 11 years in prison for tax evasion on Oct. 17, 1931.

Last Week — September 29, 2015

District Governor Pat Cross presented former District Governor Jerry Shepherd with several awards for our club. Our club was recognized for donating 20 percent of our District Designated Fund back to the Rotary Foundation and also received first place awards in Zone 30 for Endowment Fund contributions and Annual Fund contributions. She also spoke on the importance of each of us striving to make a difference, in keeping with this year's Rotary theme, "Be a Gift to the World."

At the head table

Mitchell Loper — Pledge of Allegiance – Raymond James Financial

Chuck Turner — Invocation – Immediate Past President, Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa

Glenda Guyton — Introduction of Guests – Capstone Village

Jerry Shepherd — Introduction of Guest Speaker – Immediate Past District Governor, Rotary District 6860.

Guests

David Albright, guest of Patty Sobecky; Vikki Vandiver, guest of Mark Nelson; Sloan Dixon, guest of Curry Robertson; Morgan Mann, guest of Thomas Powe. Roger Cross, husband of District Governor Pat Cross, was a guest of the club.

New Rotarians

Robert Haver (sponsored by Buddy Moman), **Alison Phillips** (sponsored by Jane Jordan) and **Casey Johnson** (sponsored by Sammy Watson) were installed as new members of the club.



October Birthdays

John Snider (10/1), Clark Swail (10/3), Patricia Powe (10/6), Chris McCune (10/8), Donny Jones (10/9), Byron Heifner (10/13), John Wise (10/14), Narayan Krishnamurthy (10/14), Lindsey Case (10/16), Molly Ingram (10/17), Michael James (10/17), Ted Turner (10/18), Lewis Fitts (10/20), Joe B. Duckworth (10/21), Robert Helms (10/24), Bob Haver (10/25), Chuck Turner (10/28), Glenda Guyton (10/29), Samory Pruitt (10/29), Bobby Ingram (10/29), Ken Urban (10/29), Joe May (10/29), Dara Longgrear (10/30), Curry Robertson (10/31).

Announcements



Northside High donation

President Susan Caples and Jane Jordan, our club's Adopt-a-School coordinator, recently had the pleasure of delivering many needed items to the our adopted partner, Northside High School. During the visit, they met with Cindy Long, the principal, and Yvette Clark (far right), the school coordinator, and presented them with funds for new signage for the baseball and softball fields, magazine subscriptions for the school library and a \$94 donation for their canned food drive. Everyone at Rotary should be proud of their support of our partner, Northside High School.

• New member proposal forms may be found at the check-in table before and after each Rotary meeting.



ABSENT? MAKING UP ATTENDANCE IS EASY

- Visit with the Morning Rotary Club every Thursday at 7 a.m. at Indian Hills Country Club
- Attend another club's meeting within two weeks before or after an absence.
- Participate in a Rotary event, such as a committe meeting, social function, interactive event, etc.
 - Make up at E-club online: www.rotaryeclubone.org.

Report all makeups to club secretary Caroline Williams at caroline.williams@bbva.com.

