



# NEW HORIZONS

where learning and friendship come together

## President's Message

Greetings, Fellow New Horizoners,

I hope that all of us have had a wonderful summer break. And while time seems to have rushed by all too quickly, it does mean that our Fall Term is just around the corner. I hope you are as excited as I am as you review the attached Fall schedule.

In addition to welcoming everyone back to New Horizons, I also wanted to highlight some of what your Board and committees have been up to during the Summer. Social Events (the goodies and parties we all enjoy) was funded at its full asking budget. Audio/Visual will now have a designated trained member "on duty" each week to handle our regular A/V needs and occasional hiccups. Travel and Outings will once again be chaired by Don and Marianna Long; the Longs are willing to convene a meeting early in the term to gauge interest in trips and importantly to recruit successors and volunteers to do the "heavy lifting" both literally and figuratively. A new Facilities Committee is the place to register needs and concerns about our use of Valley Christian Church. A list of Committees and Chairs is included in this issue.

Finally, I need to stress the importance of two committees which are truly Committees of the Whole: Curriculum and Marketing. Although we may want to believe Rowena magically finds all our speakers, she does not. She needs the contributions of ALL of us not only to suggest names and topics, but to track those contacts down and secure their appearance. If you feel shy about doing this, we can arrange a "How To" session.

Similarly, Marketing is really our life blood. We need a steady flow of new members to maintain New Horizons as a viable and dynamic organization. I will schedule and co-host with Sandra a brainstorming session to consider marketing ideas. But truly, the most effective recruitment tool is each of us telling our friends and neighbors about New Horizons and inviting/bringing them to come see for themselves.

I'm looking forward to see you all September 10th. Bob

## CLASS TERMS FOR 2025-2026

Fall: Sept. 10 - Oct. 31

Winter: Jan. 7, 2026 - Feb. 27

Spring: March 18 - May 8

Now that summer is almost over, please think about recruiting new members to New Horizons by spreading the word, and by inviting your friends, neighbors and family to come to the meetings as guests. We welcome guests and would love to meet them!

Fees if paid per year: \$250 per person

Fees if paid per term: \$90 per person

FEES ARE DUE BY Sept 12



## NEW HORIZONS AT UAB

### Officers

Bob Greene President

Nancy Whitt, Vice President

John Gleysteen, Treasurer

Ginny Baxley, Secretary

### Board of Directors

#### Term ending 2026

Nancy Forshaw

Frances Johnson

Jim McCormick

Valerie Peake

#### Term ending 2027

Jon McLean

Bert Nettles

Hubert Rodriguez

Jim Schmidt

#### Term ending 2028

Russ Vandavelde

Marilyn Doss

Larry Harper

Bruce Julian

#### Past President

Larry Rodick

**When your soul is dark and evil,  
and they ask you to smile.**



**2025-2026 Committees and Chairs**

Archives	Phil Teague
Audio/Visual	Larry Rodick/Bob Trefry
Curriculum	Rowena Teague
Email Notifications	Kathy Rostand
Facilities (NEW)	Terry Nunnelly/Larry Rodick
Good and Welfare	Janice Williams
Hospitality	Maureen Gleysteen/Pam McLean
Marketing	Sandra Vinik
Member Directory	John Gleysteen
Monday Meeting	Ron Vinik/Don Long
Name Tags	Jane Wilkerson
Newsletter	Nancy Forshaw
Purchasing	Rosemary Tenney
Registration (NEW)	Bruce Julian/Rachel Julian
Social Events	Mary Pate/Gayle Flowers
Travel and Outings	Don Long/Marianna Long
Welcoming	Marsha Asman/Dorothy Ziff



## FALL TERM 2025

ALL SESSIONS MEET FROM 9:30 A.M. UNTIL 11:30

- Wednesday  
September 10 **"The 72" -How Concerned White Citizens Marched in Selma Before Bloody Sunday**  
*Lost in the shadow of the 1965 Selma-Montgomery marches is the story of "The 72"*  
T.K. Thorne, *writer and retired police captain* Moderator: Rowena Teague  
***Stay for Lunch after the program!***
- Thursday  
September 11 **The Hispanic and Immigrant Center of Alabama (HICA)**  
Dr. Carlos Aleman, *President of HICA* Moderator: Hubert Rodriguez
- Friday  
September 12 **The Effect of the Digital Age and AI on Libraries**  
Kate Ethridge, *Homewood Public Library* Moderator: Valerie Peake
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- Wednesday  
September 17 **Times of Trouble: Fighting Hate in Difficult Times**  
Mark Potok, *Editor, "INTELLIGENCE REPORT"*  
*Southern Poverty Law Center newsletter* Moderator: Masha Asman
- Thursday  
September 18 **Ukraine Update**  
Scotty Colson, *Honorary Consul for Ukraine to Alabama* Moderator: Rowena Teague
- Friday  
September 19 **The Gilded Age** *by zoom*  
Lawrence Culver, Ph.D. *Associate Professor*  
*History Department, Utah State University* Moderator: Rosemary Tenney
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- Wednesday  
September 24 **Visual Impairments as You Age**  
Andrew Rothstein, *Assistant Professor*  
*UAB School of Optometry* Moderator: Larry Rodick
- Thursday  
September 25 **Irish Readings and Singing**  
Jennifer Guffin, *former teacher at Jefferson County Academy of Theater and Dance*  
Moderator: Nancy Whitt
- Friday  
September 26 **Ten Pin Bowling Past and Present**  
Jim Schmidt, *New Horizons Member* Moderator: Stephen Rostand
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- Wednesday  
October 1 **"What's That You Say?"**  
**Rehabilitation of Hearing Loss since 1986**  
Tom Sholten  
*Board Certified - Hearing Instrument Sciences* Moderator: Ferne Seigel
- Thursday  
October 2 **Yom Kippur – no meeting**
- Friday  
October, 3 **What's My Line NH style -NH officers - past vocations and /or avocations**  
Panelists: Bob Greene, Nancy Whitt, John Gleysteen, Jon McLean

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Wednesday October 8	<b><u>Spanish American War</u></b> Tom Jennings <i>Department of History</i> <i>Stillman College &amp; University of Alabama</i>	Moderator: Andy Daniel
Thursday October 9	<b><u>Plasticity in the Adult Brain</u></b> Khristina Visscher, Ph.D. <i>Professor, UAB Department Neurobiology</i> <i>Co-Director, Civitan International Neuroimaging Laboratory, UAB</i>	Moderator: John & Maureen Gleysteen
Friday October 10	<b><u>Mob Movies</u></b> Tony Lombardo <i>Retired English Teacher &amp; Professional Musician</i>	Moderator: Gayle Flowers
Wednesday October 15	<b><u>Grief Management</u></b> Larry Michael, Ph.D. <i>former Executive Director of Grief Alabama</i>	Moderator: Larry Harper
Thursday October 16	<b><u>An Overview of the World of AI</u></b> Andy Daniel, <i>New Horizons Member</i>	
Friday October 17	<b><u>A Primer on Tariffs to Distinguish Facts from Fiction</u></b> Joshua Robinson, Ph.D. <i>Dept of Marketing, Industrial Distribution, and Economics, UAB</i>	Moderator: Andy Daniel
Wednesday October 22	<b><u>Food As Medicine</u></b> Jordan Crocker, MD <i>Internal Medicine, UAB</i>	Moderator: Larry Harper
Thursday October 23	<b><u>All About Sand, and why it is critical for Alabama's Future</u></b> Rebecca Totten, <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>Geological Sciences, University of Alabama</i>	Moderator: Larry Rodick
Friday October 24	<b><u>What's New on Climate Change?</u></b> Emily Northrup, <i>Professor emerita</i> <i>Department of Economics, Southwestern University</i>	Moderator: Rowena Teague
Wednesday October 29	<b><u>The Other Revival</u></b> <i>Salaam Green</i> <i>City of Birmingham Poet Laureate</i>	Moderator: Nancy Whitt
Thursday October 30	<b><u>Are You On The Spectrum?</u></b> Jessica Denton and her genetic counseling student	Moderator: Maureen Gleysteen
Friday October 31	<b><u>Halloween Festivities &amp; Entertainment</u></b> Jennifer Spiegelman, <i>Red Mountain Theater Co</i> Moderator: Mary Pate & Bert Nettles	

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