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Welcome, Sue Guadagno!



This semester, we welcomed new administrative assistant Sue Guadagno to the Honors staff. She joined us from the Department of Foreign Languages, where she was the administrative assistant for around three years. A Georgia Southern employee since 2006, Guadagno is excited about working with both Honors students and staff.

"While researching the position, one of the things that really stood out to me was the longevity of the previous administrative assistant," said Guadagno. "If somebody stays in one department for that long, then you know that department must have something good going on."

She also was impressed by the Honors Program's mission to facilitate the education of students holistically in such areas as academics, leadership, and service

learning.

"I was really impressed by what I saw when reading about the Honors Program's goals and accomplishments," said Guadagno. "As a parent, I think it's a great program for making sure students are well-rounded and engaged in exciting learning opportunities. I'm glad I get to be involved in it."

Next time you come by the Eidson House, be sure to give our new administrative assistant a warm welcome!

Cassie Beasley Makes ***NewYorkTimes***
Bestseller List

BEST SELLERS > CHILDRENS MIDDLE GRADE HARDCOVER

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Inside the List
By GREGORY COWLES
James Rollins's "The Bone Labyrinth," new at No. 9 on the combined fiction list, is crammed as usual with a gleefully transgressive mix of sci-fi and



THIS WEEK **CHILDREN'S MIDDLE GRADE HARDCOVER** **WEEKS ON LIST**

1	THE SWORD OF SUMMER , by Rick Riordan. (Disney-Hyperion.) A homeless teenager tries to retrieve an ancient Norse sword. Sunday Book Review	11	Buy
2	ROBOTS GO WILD , by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein. Illustrated by Juliana Neufeld. (Little, Brown.) A sequel features a boy and his robot trying to help a bedridden sister. (Ages 8 to 12)	4	Buy
3	AUGGIE & ME , by R. J. Palacio. (Knopf.) A collection of three "Wonder" stories. (Ages 8 to 12)	18	Buy
4	WONDER , by R. J. Palacio. (Knopf.) A boy with a facial deformity enters school. Sunday Book Review	19	Buy
5	THE ISLE OF THE LOST , by Melissa de la Cruz. (Disney-Hyperion.) Children of famous villains join forces to retrieve the Dragon's Eye. (Ages 9 to 12)	18	Buy
6	THE STORY OF DIVA AND FLEA , by Mo Willems. Illustrated by Tony DiTerlizzi. (Disney-Hyperion.) A diminutive dog and a street-savvy cat help each other overcome their fears. (Ages 6 to 8)	9	Buy
7	CRENSHAW , by Katherine Applegate. (Feiwel & Friends.) A giant cat on a surfboard appears to a boy on the verge of homelessness. (Ages 7 to 11) Sunday Book Review	13	Buy
8	PERCY JACKSON'S GREEK HEROES , by Rick Riordan. Illustrated by John Rocco. (Disney-Hyperion.) A "Percy Jackson & the Olympians" companion guide. (Ages 9 to 12)	14	Buy
9	CIRCUS MIRANDUS , by Cassie Beasley. (Dial.) Micah sets off for a magical circus in order to find the man he hopes can save his grandfather's life. (Ages 9 to 12)	3	Buy
10	THE MARVELS , by Brian Selznick. (Scholastic.) A hybrid novel combines pencil illustrations with a multigenerational tale. (Ages 10 and up) Sunday Book Review	12	Buy

MOST POPULAR - BOOKS

EMAILED VIEWED

- Books of The Times: Review: In 'The Confidence Game' by Maria Konnikova, the Siren Call of the Swindler
- The Author Elizabeth Strout on 'Lucy Barton' and How Her Characters Come Into Being
- Bill Bryson: By the Book
- Books of The Times: Review: Jane Mayer's 'Dark Money,' About the Koch Brothers' Fortune and Influence
- Books of The Times: Review: Clive James, Writing Toward the Twilight
- Books of The Times: Review: In 'When Breath Becomes Air,' Dr. Paul Kalanithi Confronts an Early Death
- Antony Beevor's 'Ardenne 1944'
- The Expatriates, by Janice Y. K. Lee
- Elizabeth Strout's 'My Name Is Lucy Barton'
- Jewish Deportee on Persecution, Past and Present

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Cassie Beasley's *Circus Mirandus* takes the ninth spot on the Children's Middle Grade Hardcover bestseller list.

Honors Alumna Cassie Beasley's debut novel, *Circus Mirandus*, was featured on the *New York Times Bestsellers List* for Children's Middle Grade Hardcover books for three weeks. From December 20th, 2015 to January 3rd, it held the tenth spot on the list, and it took the ninth spot the following week. In addition to making the bestseller list, *Circus Mirandus* has collected other accolades as well: it was a *New York Times Book Review* Notable Children's Book of 2015 and one of Amazon's Best Children's Books of the Year.

Honors Alumni are encouraged to update their information here!



Left photo: Lindsay Perrin (Athletic Training) and Dr. Engel with Liz and Paul Gillespie. Right photo: Rachel Doggett (Writing & Linguistics and English) and Dr. Engel with Joe and Susan McGlamery

Dr. Steven Engel was pleased to introduce two University Honors Program students to the donors of their scholarships at the Scholarship Banquet on January 22.



The Georgia Southern University Honors Program is designed to foster the development of a critical sense of inquiry, a spirit of creativity, a global perspective and an ethic of civic responsibility. With your investment, the University Honors Program will continue to enrich the lives of students at Georgia Southern University.

Going Back to Camp



Once again the Honors Program is getting ready for its annual alternative spring break trip to [Camp Twin Lakes](#) to work with [Camp Blue Skies](#). This is our 6th year volunteering with these great organizations! Read about previous trips in the 2015, 2014, and 2011 issues of [Honors@Georgia Southern](#).

To learn more about Honors at Georgia Southern, how to support honors activities, or become involved in honors alumni events, contact Honors Director Steven Engel at sengel@georgiasouthern.edu



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