



## Events

7/23 - Grad Business Online Info Session  
 7/23 - Leadership Studies Open House  
 7/26 - Contra Costa Food Bank  
 7/26 - 5th Quarter Family Picnic  
 7/26 - Effective Group & Meeting Facilitation - Leadership Center

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## AstroNotes



When the Spanish filmmaker and graphic designer Cristóbal Vila looks at nature, he sees numbers and the remarkable elegance of mathematics. The theorems and geometric equations that explain natural phenomena—like the shape of an insect's eye or the structure of a seashell—come to life in the short documentary *Nature by Numbers*, and simultaneously bring beauty to mathematics and logic to nature. Uniting music and animation with mathematics, the film is an

## Golden Vocals



Saint Mary's Chamber Singers and Glee Club just won two gold medals at the World Choir Games Competition—aka the Olympics for Choirs—in Riga, Latvia.

## Diversity, Inclusion and Respect at the Office

Five Saint Mary's undergrads from SEBA's Business Club learned about the glass ceiling and how to increase the influence of minority and women leaders at this summer's California Diversity and Leadership Conference in Anaheim, which SEBA students attended for the first time.



## Bridging the Gap



The High Potential Program Summer Bridge Institute swings into action July 25-Aug. 8—a two-week program where 40 first-year students from underrepresented groups live on campus and take college-level classes. Launched in 1973 by former Dean Tom Brown, the

High Potential Program retains 95 percent of its freshmen, compared to a 78 percent rate nationwide.

immersion of the minute and microscopic, **and an exciting introduction to some of the great geometric and scientific concepts.**

—Ron Olowin

## Lasallian Reflections



For the week of **July 21.**

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## Call for Volunteers

Sign up to teach students about everything from college loans to insurance at "A Bite of Reality," a one-day program on finances in the real world offered by nonprofit [10,000 Degrees](#) Friday, Aug. 8, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. No expertise required.

## SMC in the News

- *Contra Costa Times* offers a [thoughtful profile](#) of SMC's Brenda Hillman.
- The Bible of the book business [profiles Saint Mary's MFA in Creative Writing Program.](#)

## Go Gaels

### Ferguson Elects to Return to SMC for Senior Season

After being drafted by the Oakland Athletics in the 23rd round of the 2014 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft, Saint Mary's first baseman/outfielder Collin Ferguson [had a chance to take the leap and begin his pro career.](#)



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## Religious Services

There will be an 11 a.m. Sunday mass throughout the remainder of the summer.

### Religious Services Schedule

**Let us remember** that we are in the holy presence of God.