



Career Day: Jon Alderson



Jon Alderson, Class of 1992, was in the last high school class that Armstrong graduated in 1992 -- from a campus in Millbrae. He also attended Armstrong elementary when it was located on the Ladera property. At Career Day, he returned to the Belmont campus to share the story of his journey. He is currently an IT specialist with ThinkConnect -- work that he says, "Never gets dull." He also said, "If you are reliable, employers will pay to keep you around." Jon answered questions from fascinated students on topics that ranged from effective anti-virus software, to building your own computer, to how the Armstrong campus was configured when he went here.

It was very special to have Jon back on the campus. Thank you for sharing your perspectives.

Career Day: Zach Adamis

Dear Armstrong Alumni,

February 12th was Career Day at Charles Armstrong and students in 5th through 8th grade heard speakers, including several who are dyslexic, talk about their work. Two Armstrong Alums – Jon Alderson and Zach Adamis – spoke.

Welcome back Jon and Zach! It was great to see you and hear your stories.

Everyone, please help us by sharing this newsletter with friends, sending us news and updates and sharing updated email contact information at

alumni@charlesarmstrong.org

Thank you.

Upcoming Events

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Community Fundraiser:**



Zach Adamis, Class of 2006, has been back on campus a lot since he graduated, serving as a classroom aide at Summer School and a Summer Camp Counselor, but at Career Day, Armstrong students got to see a new side to Zach. He is currently part of the Guest Services Cast at Disneyland in Los Angeles. He said he has the "best job in the cast" because he moves around the entire park, answering questions, and "making magic." "Making magic" encompasses many things, including replacing a dropped churro at no charge and moving a guest to the front of a rides' line. Zach also answered questions from interested students including:
 Favorite Classic Movie: Peter Pan
 Favorite Park Food: Beignets
 Favorite Ride: Pirates of the Caribbean
 Favorite Thing To Do at the Park: People Watch

Please join us!
Community Fundraiser



Mark your calendar! The 11th Annual Community Fundraiser and Benefit Auction will be held Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 6:30 to 10:30 PM at the California Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park.

The Armstrong Community -- parents, students, families' friends and neighbors,

Saturday, April 9, 2016

Time: 6:30 - 10:30 PM

Location: California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park
Tickets are on sale now, [click here to purchase and learn more.](#)

*Students (up to age 18) \$25
 Alumni (age 18 and above) \$30*

**Class of 2016 Reception:
 Thursday, April 28, 2016**

Time: Evening -- TBD
Location: Armstrong Campus
More details will follow.

**Spring Musical Pizza Party
 Little Mermaid, Jr.**

Friday, May 6, 2016
Time: 6:00 - 7:00 PM
Location: Bayside Theater, San Mateo
More details will follow.

Armstrong Visitors



James Appleby, pictured above, visited campus earlier this month. Mr. Appleby is an Armstrong alum, a former member of the Armstrong faculty and is currently starring in

Beach Blanket Babylon!

James, thanks for visiting!

If you are in the neighborhood and want a tour, just let us know by emailing alumni@charlesarmstrong.org and [click here](#) to send us your updates.

faculty, staff, and alumni -- will have exclusive access to the Academy and its exhibits. The evening includes dinner, beverages, entertainment, live and silent auctions.

New this year! Mobile Bidding will allow you to monitor your favorite silent auction items while you enjoy the Academy and visit with other guests.

Tickets on sale now. [Click to learn more or purchase tickets.](#)



Armstrong Updates



Armstrong Alum **Brendan O'Day** (center, above) attended Holiday Homecoming, all the way from Switzerland, where he is a student studying hospitality at Les Roches International School of Hotel Management. We looked it up and Les Roches is one of the top ranking hospitality and tourism management schools.

And...another fun story from Holiday Homecoming: Armstrong Alum **Alexander Hudson** (left, above) met **Devon Cox** (right above) another Alum when they both attended Everest Charter High School together even though they didn't attend Armstrong together. Alexander is currently enrolled at Willamette University in Oregon and Devon attends Sonoma State University.

