

# STERNE ALUMNI BULLETIN

Fall 2015

## Sterne Alumni Association

The Sterne Alumni Association is here to bring together our diverse and exceptional group of Sterne Alumni for events, to share news, and to be a part of the next chapter of Sterne's history. Our goal is to keep you updated about what's going on at Sterne.

Visit the alumni page on the Sterne website at [sterneschool.org](http://sterneschool.org), join us on Facebook, and to receive our eNewsletter send us your current email address.

We love to hear about what you're doing, and we want to stay in touch. For all alumni communications please contact Alie Berka at [aberka@sterneschool.org](mailto:aberka@sterneschool.org)



## Sterne Homecoming 2015

### *A Community Connected*

*Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>*

Homecoming provides our community the opportunity to come together and celebrate the school - past, present, and future. Current families, alumni, former parents, and friends came to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. We had a huge showing of alumni - people from every decade - sharing lots of hugs and happy faces as they reunited with old friends.

Sterne founder Val Anthony was our special guest of honor. We all loved seeing her. In fact, she was so busy talking to all her former students, faculty, and board members that she barely got a chance to enjoy her taco! Our loyal faculty of many years, Larry Milburn and Tammy Messina, along with current staff members and alumni Nick Doxey ('86) and Zoila Lara-Cea ('07), were celebrities, too.

A special thank you to Board President David Bradlow for saying a few words about the history of Sterne, to former teacher David Dethlefs for sharing stories about his time at Sterne, and to Claudine Puente ('98) for reading a very moving letter from Sterne alumnus Matthew Ferretti ('98).

Our favorite Taco Truck, *El Tonayense*, served a delicious array of south of the border food, while mouthwatering cupcakes with the Sterne logo were provided by *teeny cake* boutique bakery ([teenycake.com](http://teenycake.com)) owned by Kevin Mahoney ('93) and his wife Michelle.



*Val Anthony, David Bradlow, David Dethlefs, Carmel Peterson McDonnell ('89), Galen Marty ('89)*



*Sterne Alumni Selfie*



*Gia Dattel ('92), Kevin Mahoney ('93), Christian Alexanderson ('93), Courtney Alexanderson*



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## Sterne Speakers Series: “College for LD Students: Getting In and Staying In”

On October 8th, parents and students gathered at Sterne High School for an evening exploring academic options for students after high school graduation.

The transition from high school to college can be an overwhelming experience for students, parents, and their support teams. Rebecca Field, Ed.M., our college counselor, discussed the college application and admission process, demystifying the often intimidating and confusing options available to students. The workshop highlighted important laws as they pertain specifically to students who learn differently. Additionally, the audience garnered valuable tips and learned about available resources that can help students not only get into college, but also stay there successfully.



## Development News: Annual Fund

This fall we launched our 2015-2016 Annual Fund Campaign, asking everyone in our community to participate 100%! Like all independent schools, we rely on the generosity of our entire community to fulfill our mission each year. The Annual Fund supports Sterne’s crucial operating costs including field trips, extra-curricular programs, school supplies, textbooks, computers, and financial aid.

Please consider helping our students **THRIVE**. To learn more about the Sterne Annual Fund visit our website: [sterneschool.org](http://sterneschool.org), or contact Alie Berka: [aberka@sterneschool.org](mailto:aberka@sterneschool.org).

### Save the Date

**Faculty/Staff vs. Student/Alumni  
Basketball Game**

**January 9, 2016 11:00am-1:00pm**  
Sterne High Campus, 245 Valencia St., SF

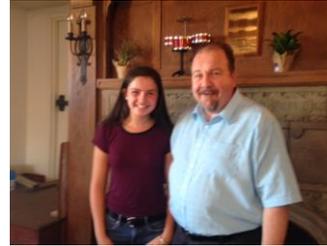
**Sterne Spring Fling: Celebrating our  
Students in the Arts**

**March 19, 2016**  
Sterne High Campus, 245 Valencia St., SF



## Come Visit Us

These past few months we were visited by:



Clockwise:  
Sonia Marquez ('15)  
Sophie Roam ('14)  
John DeCota ('88)



Sterne Homecoming: Pat Cronan ('76),  
Nick Doxey ('86), Sam Lee ('85), Galin Marty ('89)



Sterne Homecoming: John Cozenza ('86),  
Brian Bonham ('88), Sebastian Eikhof ('05),  
Tony Lucia ('05), Jasmine Biard ('04),  
Zoila Lara-Cea ('07), Christopher Matela ('05),  
William Mckennett ('01)

