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PRATT BUYS 100 NEW COMPUTERS!!!

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Pratt officials have confirmed that they have purchased 100 Commodore 64 computers for the School of Information and Library Science. Commodore officials couldn't be reached for comment but a special advisor seen at Flannery's Bar on 14th confirmed the transactions saying that they were trying to close the deal for some time.

Pratt officials hailed the computers a coup: "We got them for a real bargain and it will quiet some of the discontent many students have with the current computers.

Pratt SILS Student, Georg Turanev, couldn't be happier. "Wow, now if they bring back some 56k dial-up modems we'll finally be in touch with the rest of the world."

Library Student learns

Learns How to Shush from “Dog Whisperer”

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“You must be the Alpha Dog” insists Cesar Millan. As seen on the Discovery Channel, Cesar is the acclaimed “dog whisperer”. He can correct the behavior of the wildest pit bull in the baddest hoods in the country and can shape up the most spoiled poodle from Hollywood to the Hamptons. So my month-long library internship with him made sense.

On my first day I peppered Cesar with many questions. How do I deal with loud and unruly patrons? What if someone

falls asleep at the reference tables or asks too many questions, what can I do?

Cesar insists that the difference between a canine (canis in latin) or a library patron (biblio patronis in latin) is very slight. He laid down the law to me on a daily basis. “The biblio patronis is tuning out the shush from the librarian. Oh, you need to use a choo sound.” Use the sound like choo choo train but only use one choo!” Let a pocket of air work its way out of your mouth while clenching your teeth.

The first thing a librarian should do during any reference interview is assert that he or she is the alpha dog by us-

ing an initial “choo”. The hard ch sound should replace the wimpier and less effective sh sound. The “choo” sound is to be reinforced by using a staccato chopping downward motion with the left hand. Most biblio patronis will be stopped in mid sentence, or awoken from the deepest slumber.

Additional lessons including “using food as a reward” and “using magic words like sit and heel” will be discussed in the next edition of “Best practices in Shushing.” In the meantime “CHOO!”



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WHAT ARE NERDS DOING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

- 1. HACKING YOUR WIFI**
- 2. BITCHING AT THE LOCAL COFFEE SHOP**
- 3. READING HITCHIKKER'S GUIDE FOR THE 14TH TIME**
- 4. CATALOGING THEIR LACK OF BIRTH DAY CARDS FROM PREVIOUS YEAR OF LIFE**
- 5. JAILBREAKING THEIR IPHONES**