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## **EDUCATION**

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- **B.A. in Psychology**, Boston University (1977)
- **Peaceable Paws Apprenticeship** (2007 – 2008)  
A formal apprenticeship under the supervision of trainer and behavior consultant Pat Miller, building the foundation skills of the professional dog trainer, including teaching good manners classes, assigned reading, behavioral assessments of shelter dogs, shelter volunteer work, and observing behavioral consultations.
- **Peaceable Paws Intern Academies, Level 1** Canine Behavior and Training (2007), **Level 2**, Behavior Modification (2009), **Level 3** Advanced Behavior Studies (2011), **Level 3** Canine Aggression (2012), **Level 4** Canine Cognition (2015). Each Academy is a six day intensive course of study with renowned training and behavior expert, Pat Miller.

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## **CERTIFICATIONS**

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- **Certified Professional Dog Trainer – Knowledge Assessed** (CPDT-KA, 2009)  
Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers. Requirements for certification include: 300 hours dog training experience, client, veterinarian and colleague recommendations, and passing a written certification examination.
- **Certified Behavior Consultant Canine – Knowledge Assessed** (CBCC-KA, 2015)  
Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers. Requirements for certification include: 300 hours behavior consulting experience, client, veterinarian and colleague recommendations, and passing a written certification examination.
- **Pat Miller Certified Trainer** (PMCT, 2011)  
Certified by renowned dog behavior expert and author, Pat Miller, upon successful completion of three Peaceable Paws Intern Academies
- **Pat Miller Certified Trainer 2** (PMCT2, 2012)  
Certified upon successful completion of four Peaceable Paws Intern Academies
- **Pat Miller Certified Trainer 3** (PMCT3, 2015)  
Certified upon successful completion of an apprenticeship with Pat Miller and five Peaceable Paws Intern Academies.
- **Pet First Aid & CPR** - American Safety & Health Institute (2009)

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## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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- **Association of Professional Dog Trainers** (APDT) - Professional Member #72344
- **Mid-Atlantic Association of Positive Professional Pet Trainers** (MAAPPPT)
- **The Pet Professional Guild** (PPG - Full Member, Dog Training)

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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- ClickerExpo (three day educational conference - (Norfolk, VA, 2014, and Lexington, KY, 2010)
- Sociability vs. Aggression (three day seminar - Accord, NY, 2013) - Sue Sternberg
- Association of Professional Dog Trainers (APDT) Educational Conference (five day conference - Atlanta, GA 2010, and Louisville, KY, 2008)
- Pharmacological Treatment for Troubled Canines (Bethesda, MD, 2009) - Karen Overall, VMD, PhD, Diplomate ACVB
- Reactive Rover Camp (three day workshop - Hagerstown, MD, 2009) - assistant to Pat Miller CPDT-KA, CBCC-KA, Peaceable Paws LLC

## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

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- **Maryland State Coordinator, Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue, Inc. (RRRI)** (2004 - 2014)  
Responsibilities included assessment, intake and adoption of rescued Rhodesian Ridgeback dogs, approval of adoptive families, recruiting and coordination of volunteers and foster homes.
- **Board of Directors, Dancing for the Dogs** (2012 - present) - annual fundraiser benefitting local animal shelters and rescues.
- **Board of Directors, Talbot Humane** (2015-) – Open admission shelter in Talbot County, MD

## PUBLISHED ARTICLES

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- **Training Partners**, Health & Vigor (2015)
- **When to See a Vet as Well as a Trainer - Medical rule-outs for abnormal behavior**, The Whole Dog Journal (2014)
- **Home Schooled - Professional training in your home can be a great alternative to group classes**, The Whole Dog Journal (2013)
- **Legal Beagle - Why and when you may need a \*dog lawyer\* and how to find one**, The Whole Dog Journal (2012)
- **Lending a Paw - Dogs give us so much...How can we give back?**  
The Whole Dog Journal (2012)
- **Big Dog, Bigger Problem - Conquering Igor's fear of cars was no small challenge**, The Whole Dog Journal (2011)
- **Buckle up your Pup! Simple safety practices may save your dog's life - and your own**, The Whole Dog Journal (2010)
- **Training Partners - The why, how and where of exercising with your best friend**, Baltimore Dog Magazine (2010)
- **The Process of Elimination - Successful housetraining at any age**, Baltimore Dog Magazine (2009)
- **Running with Your Dog**, The Whole Dog Journal (2009)
- **Bike with Your Dog**, The Whole Dog Journal (2009)
- **Doggie Paddlers**, The Whole Dog Journal (2009)