

JOEY'S LEGACY



A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to advocating for your companion animals

ABOUT US

We have assembled some of the brightest minds in veterinary medicine, grief counseling and animal law that assist those that come to us with claims of veterinary negligence.

We founded Joey's Legacy after our beloved 12-year-old dachshund, Joey, was victim to veterinary negligence in Florida and died in 2017. Heartbroken, we sought legal action with the Board of Veterinarian Medicine, but unfortunately did not win.

To prevent this from happening to other families by advocating for companion animals and holding practitioners accountable, we work with top veterinary experts, top legal experts, and grief and trauma counselors.

TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Whether you are a new or an established patient, we are excited to share our knowledge and answer any questions that you may have regarding holistic care for your pets. If homeopathy, acupuncture and traditional

Chinese medicine are new to you, our "Intro to Wholistic Care" is a good place to start.

We can also advise you on the best possible nutrition for your pet's well-being. My mission is to educate people to the power of all forms of natural healing and to empower them in natural health for themselves and their pets. I look forward to hearing from you and helping you and your pet enjoy a long, healthy life together. In Peace, Robin Cannizzaro, DVM, CVA

FROM THE FOUNDER



We will soon launch a new website "Veterinary Malpractice Consultants" which will celebrate our veterinarians, who speak out against their negligent colleagues and feature great vets from around

the country who will join us in the fight against those rogue practitioners without the integrity to treat their clients with dignity and respect.

We receive 75 and 100 calls per month from newly victimized pet parents who seek assistance in the pursuit of justice for their permanently injured or deceased companion animals. It's a noble pursuit that we've undertaken and have the moral support of thousands around the world. We are receiving more calls from veterinarians who send their new clients to Joey's Legacy to seek justice against the former vet that maltreated their companion animal.

I call this the "disintegration of the brotherhood." The idea that veterinarians "stick together" and won't call out their colleagues for substandard practice is slowly fading, and it's only a matter of time until many more ethical veterinarians step up and be heard.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR DONATION

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VICTIMS' CORNER

My Weimaraner, Lola, was under the care of Banfield Pet Hospital since 2017, and was never diagnosed with a life-threatening tumor, even though I maintained her wellness exams, shots and nail trimming etc. She had multiple symptoms, all of which were ignored.

After taking her to another Vet, who immediately diagnosed her tumor, just from touching her belly, she went into emergency surgery.

The tumor was pushing against all her internal organs, and at the risk of rupturing. The tumor ended up weighing 20 pounds - 20 POUNDS!!!!!!!!!! The Vet stated this does not happen overnight and any exam was "Veterinary 101." This dog was suffering a while.

I spoke with the Chief of Staff at Banfield and was unable to obtain answers or a true concern or an apology. She, herself, stated the Doctors are spread thin, and that day she saw 35 animals. How much time is actually being spent on treatment and care in an 8-hour day, when one Doctor sees 35 animals!?!?!?!?

There is no legal recourse for the treatment or pain and suffering of an animal, because they are considered "property." Imagine, a living, breathing animal, who can feel happiness and pain, and does not have a voice of their own, just property - insignificant. Something that can easily be disposed of. Animals only have their Human's voice to fight for them, and the Human has to rely on their Veterinarian for the best possible care.

Humans need to be confident Veterinarians will be held responsible and liable when something happens to their beloved animal, due to negligence. And right now, there are no laws allowing Humans to hold Veterinarians accountable, for their animals, their "property." Animals are not property - and we need to change that!!!!!!



FROM THE FILES OF INSPECTOR BARK



This question is often asked of me. "What prompted you to pursue this line of work?"

I witnessed over the course of 14 years too often the fraud, deception & lies that drove me to become a private investigator. These certain individuals often hide behind the facade of a nonprofit organization (501c3) in order to use the backs of these animals to profit off, claiming they are an animal rescue. A high percentage of these rogue rescues, the founders do not work outside of the rescue, therefore many of them use donation dollars meant for the dogs to supplement their own income.

I am seeing a trend among many of these individuals. Several have liens, judgments, bankruptcies, and evictions on their record. Some even have extensive arrest records.

We are experiencing a pandemic in this country, but we are also experiencing an epidemic with something I refer to as 'The Underground World of Dog Trafficking.' These scammers have figured out a way to pull on people's heart strings, since it is so much easier than punching a time clock.

Here is another question that I am asked.

Do the local law enforcement agencies, county animal controls, agricultural inspectors back you and follow up on your investigations?

This is a very excellent question, which is also a difficult one to answer. The public thinks these agencies are working to protect the animals. Sadly, that is not always the case.

I get terribly upset and frustrated when those that are supposed to protect the animals do not.

My own quote, "Emotionally Detached, Completely Removed & Totally Desensitized" can be applied to some that are connected to the animal welfare industry in one capacity or another. They see so much on a regular basis that it is just "Old Hat" to them. So many times, phone calls never get returned and emails go unanswered. They no longer care about these poor defenseless animals, in my opinion. We must always be the voice for the voiceless.

Always do your own due diligence or contact me if you have any concerns related to the animals' wellbeing & safety.

Darcy Butkus

EMMA'S CORNER

Last time we discussed kibble and spoke briefly about the synthetic vitamins and minerals added into it. Synthetics are made in a lab and have to be added back in, after the heating process, to meet the minimum AAFCO guidelines. Kibble is made by heating and in this process natural nutrients are killed off. Unfortunately the beginning ingredients of kibble, including the protein sources, are generally already very low quality with very low nutrients.



Bring in the premix! (and the majority comes from CHINA)! This is the lab made nutrients that is added back in so the food will pass, and its a cheaper route. A larger amount of healthier whole foods could be added in the beginning, in order to provide enough nutrition to make it through processing, but that is much more expensive. The whole foods would have to be well sourced as well, including the soil and overall environment they are derived from. The end result would also have to go through much more testing to be sure the right amount of nutrients needed survived. Its much easier (and cheaper) to add a premeasured mix of lab made nutrients to pass inspection. Unfortunately, the body does not recognize lab made nutrients and can't use them correctly, therefore the body cant thrive.

The body has receptor sites and they can become clogged with copycat vitamin and minerals. So many animals with health issues may appear to become healthier when these sites are low on nutrients, but eventually the sites clog and can't work properly. Its why many animals may appear to be doing great on a food or supplement only to have the original symptoms return. Lets add, many animals, due to the poor overall ingredients, are diagnosed with everything from skin dermatitis to cancers.

How do you recognize synthetics? Simply, its usually anything you cant pronounce easily and usually starts midway down the ingredients list. Examples would be menadione, sodium selenite, anything with words like chloride, hydrochloride, acetate, nitrate etc. I encourage each of you to take the time to look up the synthetics if your feeding kibble or are using supplementation. Know what each one is, how it's made, and its potential ability to be toxic, many known for being carcinogenic.

I hope this helps you to start taking a closer look at the bag of food your feeding your dogs every day for life. I hope it can be a stepping stone to dig deeper for information. The marketing provided by these labels is very convincing, but don't be fooled at what real nutrients should look like. Real nutrients comes from real food that is well sourced. It's no different for our companion animals as it is us. We do not thrive on processed foods with synthetic ingredients, and they certainly don't, especially being that they are strict carnivores.

The best avenue for our precious animals health is to feed a well sourced, balanced, real food diet.

Emma's Corner is an extension of the Facebook group, Bringing awareness to the link between [Apoquel and cancer in dogs](#), which was started by me in an effort to warn others about this immunosuppressant drug, and ultimately show members a better path for the TRUE overall health of their companion animals. [Emma's Corner](#) was born for this newsletter to assist in educating Joey's Legacy pet parents as well.

Until next time,

Jenny

***The statements made in Emma's corner do not replace veterinary care.**

My advice, if it is not an emergency, always seek a natural minded veterinarian.



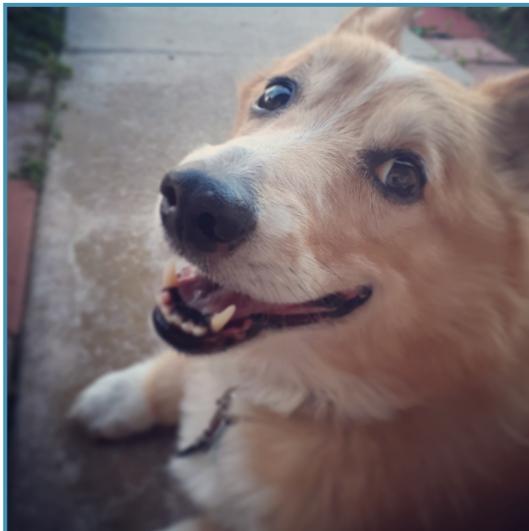
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Remembering
you is easy.
I do it every day.
Missing you
is the heartache
that never goes away.




**In Memory of Lord Nelson,
Norwich terrier**

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Hospitals



**In Memory of
Jordan**

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without a chase

My treasure is not gold that chinks and glitters,
but gleams in the sun and neighs in the night.
-Anonymous



Judy Santerre's Harvey, who died
by gross veterinary malpractice.

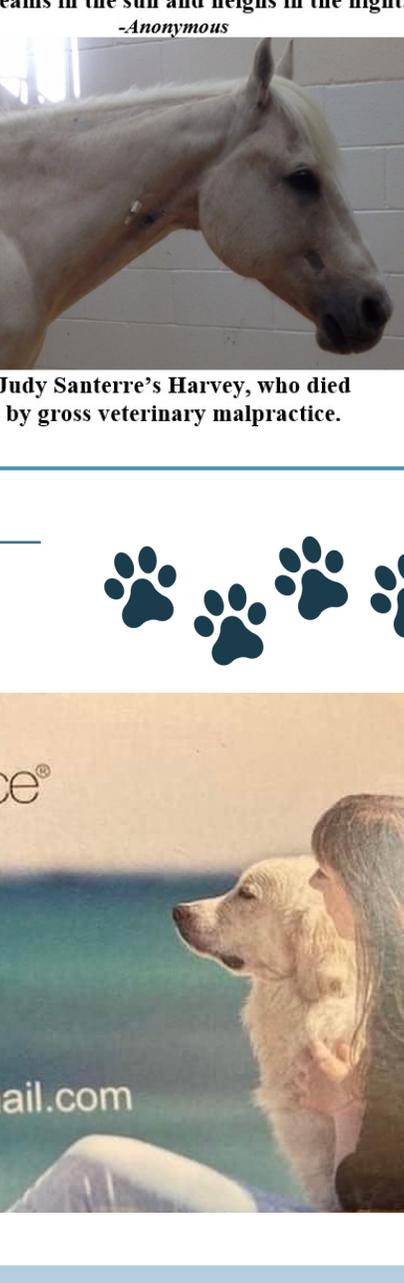
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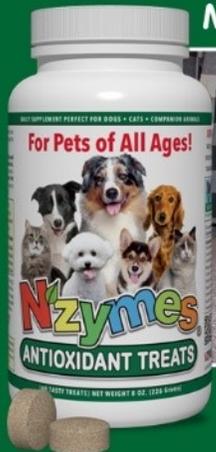
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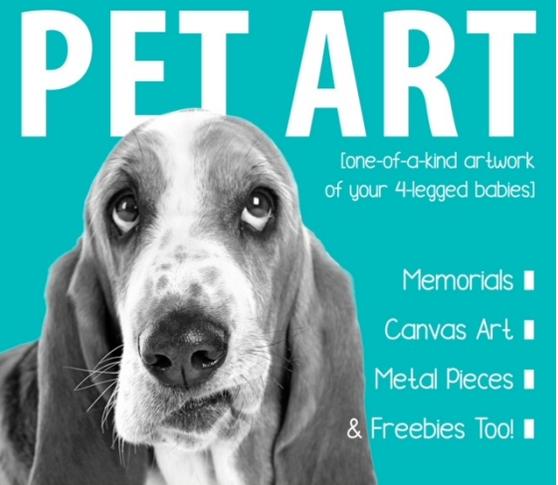
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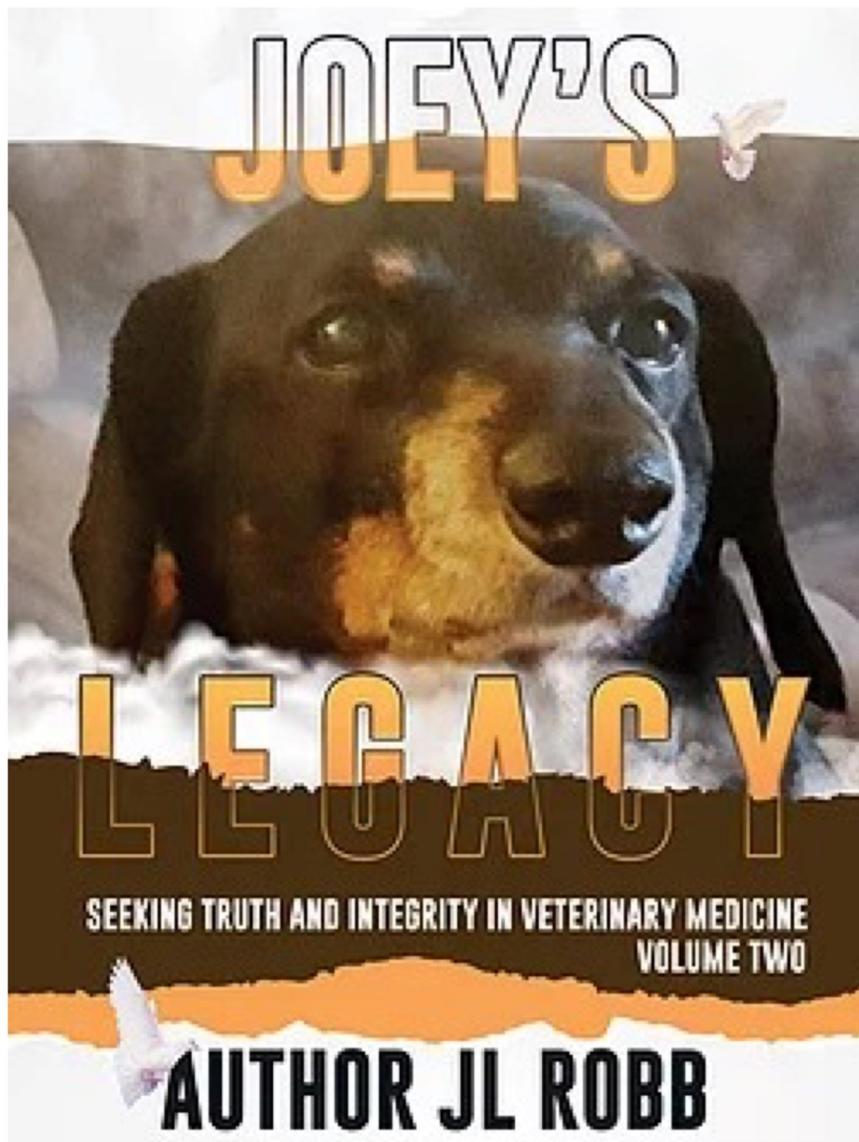


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