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# PVMA News

PENINSULA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

## MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN VETERINARY MEDICINE

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Dr. Carrie Journey is originally from Atlanta and graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Georgia, College of Veterinary Medicine in 2005. She then completed an internship at the VCA Specialty Center of Seattle and her neurology residency at the University of Pennsylvania followed by her neurology diplomate in 2009. She then received an Advanced Neurosurgery Certificate in 2011. She now practices in the Bay Area and also nationally as a locum neurologist.

In 2015 Dr. Journey became a founding Board member and now current Secretary of “Not One More Vet” (NOMV) a mental health and suicide prevention organization.

In her spare time, Carrie is a runner, Burning Man theme camp lead, sculptor, stained glass artist, avid traveler and adventurous cook.

Often, in the exam room, a client asks the question, “Doc, what about marijuana?” In this lecture, we will review some of the scientific basics of marijuana in human medicine, ongoing research projects in veterinary medicine, as well as the very complicated legal landscape in which veterinarians currently reside.



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**Next PVMA Meeting: Tuesday November 21, 2017**

**This PVMA meeting program offers 1 hour of CE Credit**

The meeting will be held at **The Vans Restaurant** in Belmont located at **815 Belmont Avenue**, west off El Camino Real, up the hill. There is parking adjacent and also across the street to the northwest.

6:30pm for adult beverages - 7:00pm for dinner and program

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# GOAT YOGA

Goats and yoga go together because baby goats just love to interact with humans. In fact, goats appear to have begun engaging in yoga in America last year. In a typical class, yogis assemble on a lawn or pasture and young goats are loosed among them. An early report of such goat activity came out of Albany, Oregon in early 2016 when Lainey Morse hosted a session among the kids she keeps as pets on her farmland. By May it had reached Connecticut where Tracy Longoria, having read about the Oregon caper, hosted a session of goat yoga complete with a hired instructor. The sessions became an instant hit until a “cease and desist” order came from the local zoning enforcement office declaring that she must stop using her farm “as a hosting location for yoga and baby goats.” The trouble was started by a disgruntled neighbor but his action was over-ruled by appeal when the Zoning appeals board found the code’s definition of farming overly vague. So Ms Morse pressed on then holding classes at a bed-and-breakfast and a vineyard. “Goats present some challenges,” she reported, “they nibble on cellphones, purses and patterns printed on yoga mats.”

As the new activity spread across the nation from west to east, other aspiring goat yogis have butted heads with local officials who say health codes and land-use rules don’t contemplate the comingling of livestock and students. Young goats love jumping on the backs of willing yogis, but property not zoned for health and recreation use can stimulate inquiries or even complaints from neighbors.

This spring at the Congressional Cemetery a new goat yoga class called “Yoga Mortis” began. This class used goats that had twice been hired over the past several years to eat down unwanted plants. The local health department snuffed that idea in June, but later approved the idea when the cemetery furnished proof of the goats’ good health from a veterinarian who had examined them.





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Animal advocacy groups are seeking to abolish trapping of coyotes and other animals for fur in California. The suit claims the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is violating a state law effective in 2013 that requires certain program costs to be covered by the fees they generate. Revenue from commercial fur trapping permits, about \$13,500 in the most recent season, falls far short of the resources needed to monitor and regulate trapping. The plaintiffs say the fees would have to rise at least 10-fold to comply with the state law and such a boost would effectively end trapping of animals such as coyotes, badgers, raccoons, mink and weasels. Trapping in California has already been severely curtailed. Bobcat trapping was eliminated in 2015 as well as banned for river otter and red foxes. In the 2015-16 season, 1,829 animals were killed by trapping with a total fur value of \$10,000. Just 120 commercial trapping licenses were purchased in the most recent season according to the California Trappers Association.



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