



# Partners in Performance

***Presented by The Land O'Lakes Kennel Club***

## Saturday

### **11:00 Assistance Dogs *Helping Paws of Minnesota***

Dogs are trained and placed to provide assistance for people who have physical difficulties, veterans and first responders with PTSD. In addition, dogs are provided in therapeutic settings such as schools and courthouses.

### **11:30 Detection Dogs *Minnesota State Patrol with Trooper K. Koeberl & Trooper J. Wood***

The Minnesota State Patrol has a team of fifteen trained teams to provide services throughout the state. Most of the dogs are trained in detection of explosives as well as narcotics. They provide services of locating individuals, but not for apprehension. Included in their teams is a currency detection dog to assist in locating hidden cash.

### **12:00 Therapy Dogs *North Star Therapy Animals of Pet Partners***

Volunteers with various animals are trained to provide emotional and comfort support. Handlers visit hospitals, schools, elder care, assisted living, and specialty care facilities to decrease stress in the people they serve. Animals meet national standards for animal-assisted activities.

### **12:30 Reading Therapy *Read to a Breed***

Children ages 3-12 can read with a purebred therapy dog. The activity encourages children to enjoy the benefits of reading to dogs, lowering stress and building confidence.

### **1:00 PTSD Dogs *Soldier 6***

These trained service dogs are provided to honorably discharged military members and first responders that have endured traumatic events in their line of service. Dogs provide services that are unique to the needs of the individual.

### **1:30 Patrol Dogs *St. Paul Police K-9 Unit with Officer B. Chin & Officer K. Kiong***

The St. Paul Police K-9 Unit is the second oldest canine organization in the United States. The mission of the unit is to support the patrol districts in suspect apprehensions, evidence searches, explosive detection, narcotic detection and open searches.