



2010 ISDRA Conference and Awards Banquet

Holiday Inn & Suites, Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport
3 Appletree Square, I-494 & 34th Ave, Exit 1
Bloomington, Minnesota 55425
Speakers – Trade Show – Dinner Cruise – Banquet

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Dr. Jerry Vanek has served as a sled dog veterinarian on 80 races in North America and Europe since 1992, including the Iditarod, Quest, Beargrease, Amundsen, CanAm, Race to the Sky, UP 200, Empire, Apostle Islands, Eagle Cap, Grand Portage, Great Trail, Red River, IFSS World and Junior World Championships, and numerous Midwestern sprint races.



In 1993, Dr. Vanek was the veterinarian on the Mount Vaughan Antarctic Expedition, and, in '07 and '09, a veterinarian on the 1925 Diphtheria Serum Run reenactment. A musher since his teens, he still drives dogs whenever he can.

He is an honorary life member of the North Star Sled Dog Club; recipient of the Maeb Bayers' Lifetime Achievement in Mushing award; and past president, life member, and charter board member of the ISDVMA. Dr. Vanek is a certified canine rehabilitation therapist (CCRT) and his veterinary practice is focused on sled dogs and canine sports medicine, a subject on which he speaks and writes regularly.

He also is a wilderness EMT trained in advanced wilderness life support for humans and he trains firefighters and EMTs to rescue animals in disasters as a Basic Animal Rescue Training (BART) instructor. He lives on his family's 1881 homestead in Minnesota's northern Red River Valley.