

“Diva Delights” from Sophia, the Doggy Diva

Happy “Howl-i-Days” my fellow Divas!

I am all a glitter and a twitter in choosing between my festive glamour looks in collars, leashes, sweaters, and costumes for the rounds of galas, parties, and holiday festivities during the next few months! What is an overbooked social diva to do?!

This is truly my favorite time of year, however, but I am sooooo busy, I was worried I may not have a few moments to spare to dish my diva delights, but, ah—don’t despair—I always have time for dishing!!!

Hmmmm....so many festivities...galas...glitter and fun to be had! And all for such good causes! For example..my sister Style, the greyhound, and I had so much fun and saw soooo many fabulous people at the “Harvest Hound” gala to benefit the Fast Friends Greyhound Adoption, Inc., hosted by

Nancy Coffey. Great job, Nancy. You are truly awesome. And a good time was definitely had by all! We have our dancing shoes cooling off and ready for next year!

December 1 brings the ninth annual spectacular event, “The Canine Christmas Festival” for canines and their human companions. There is something here for everyone—adoptions, raffles, gifts for sale, refreshments, pet microchipping, photos with Santa, and contests galore! There’s the Canine Christmas Contest, the American Fido Contest, and my favorite contest of all—The Canine Christmas Fashion Show for rescue, adopted, or special-needs dogs, sponsored by none other than The Doggy Diva herself!!!

A special bark out to Tracy Skinner, my co-host on WTMY, The Doggy Diva Radio Show, for her help with the fashion show; you know, Tracy, I could never do it without you. You are truly the ultimate diva su-

per judge! And thank you, Animal Network of Manatee County and all the good things you do by having this wonderful event each year.

Now...I know Santa already has a subscription to **Sarasota Pet** ...and I know he never

use treats, food, and beds. They may also need volunteers or foster homes. My mom and dad do that and call it “the true gift of giving.” Many of us were adopted into our “forever homes,” so please encourage your human companions to do the

ultimate good deed by donating in your own name or in remembrance of a loved one. It will truly benefit one of our furry, feathered, scaled, hooved—oh, whatever!—friends somewhere.

Which brings me to my New Year’s resolution—to bring even more beauty and happiness to the world of doggies and divas everywhere! I know you might ask, “Is that even possible?!” Sophia is so beautiful....so exquisite, and so sophisticated.... hmmmm... Enough, already! Even I have had enough of myself for 2007..!

But...alas...I am

getting ready to ring in the new year...I hear the bells of 2008 ringing. My Swarovski crystal collar is glittering in the moonlight... how special and perfect it is for New Year’s Eve and OH...the bells are ringing again...it must be—YEAH! IT’S THE DOORBELL—the pizza is here!!!! What a fun way to bring in 2008!!!

The time is nearing...We all have our treats... My favorite “Idol,” Ryan Seacrest, is counting down....The ball is dropping...
...10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1...

...Happy Diva New Year, everyone!

See You in 2008!

Love and Kisses,

Sophia the Doggy Diva 🐾



*Pictured from left to right, Sophia the “Doggy Diva,” Francesca, and Style.
Photo by Betty Lupacchino*

misses my column, “Diva Delights” ...so Santa, please don’t forget that my sisters and, even more importantly, ME, MYSELF, and I have sent our WISH LIST to you at the North Pole. At the top of the list are goodies from Max’s Dog Bakery and Shabby Chic Boutique...VERY IMPORTANT!!! We love the goodies from there!! And I put down a beautiful piece of Andrea Levine designer jewelry as a surprise for my mom, too! If you call my Dad, he may have the same list! Come to think of it, Beth, the owner of Max’s, may actually have our wish list, too!!!! I left no room for error this year, Santa! **We love Max’s Dog Bakery!!** Just in case you get lost, Santa, Max’s is at 1375 Main Street in Sarasota. Verrrry important...!

But Divas, remember...we need to give also to our shelters, rescue, and adoption groups. Go to their Web sites and find their wish lists to see what they need or to make a donation. I am sure they can always

