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Delancey Street rejoices

The 30th anniversary of Delancey Street, the 60th birthday of its megawatt co-founder, **Mimi Silbert**, and the presentation of a Lifetime Pioneer award to a relaxed and beaming **Dianne Feinstein** were celebrated Thursday night at the self-help rehab center, in what **Nancy Pelosi** called "the living room of the city." A crowd of about 700, including residents, friends, benefactors, politicians, toddlers, captains of industry, canines, socialites, actors, restaurateurs, athletes and even just plain well-wishers, overflowed the main room, heaped their plates with dinner and settled down in such festive spirits that even a well-meaning chain of politicians' speeches and presentations didn't dampen the mood.

To mark the three occasions, there were nine cakes, the undeniable stunner an 8-foot-long three- and four-layer-high cake model of Delancey Street headquarters. Its three-day creation was supervised by residents **Richard Woods** and **Murray Edwards**, who used the original building blueprints for the cake construction. They couldn't remember how many eggs were involved.

Among the notables were **Sharon Stone** ("There is life after 40, especially if you sober up"), **Peter Coyote** (who, in his own words, "matriculated in pharmacology at the Eddy Hotel"), **Jerry Brown** and **Willie**



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Dianne Feinstein and Mimi Silbert:
Long friendship

Brown (one of the few elected officials who didn't speak), **Peter Magowan**, **Louise Renne**, **Carole Migden**, **Richard Blum**, **Gina Moscone**, **Rob St. Clair**, **Dugald Stermer**, **Sue Bierman**, **Mark Leno**, **Chris Daly**, **Susan Leal**, **Sandra Hernandez**, **Denise Hale**, **Jo Schuman Silver** (who brought a "Beach Blanket Babylon" **Streisand** to sing to Silbert), **Ed Moose**, **Jeannette Etheredge**, **Kevin Shelley**, **Pat Montandon**, California Chief Justice **Ronald George** and a judicial array that included **Tony Klein**, **Kathleen Feinstein**, **Thelton Henderson** and **William Fletcher**, who were particularly thanked for providing Delancey Street with more than 14,000 residents who have completed the program in the past 30 years.