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The clever invitation designed by Joni Moisant Weyl, the wife of art enthusiast and founding partner in the prestigious 50-year-old Gemini G.E.L. gallery on Melrose Avenue, informed that husband Sid Felsen is celebrating his 85th birthday. At Pane e Vino, more than 250 friends and associates congratulated best-dressed Sid with his signature hat, and Joni, in a nod to Sid's collection of hats, strung dozens from the ceiling.

The Who and the Who of artists and collectors and dealers gathered cheek-by-jowl over drinks. Who wasn't there would be easier to report. We caught up with Sid's Gemini founding partner Stan Grinstein and wife Elyse, daughters Ann and Ellen Grinstein, Berta and Frank Gehry, Guy Dill, Laddie Dill, Chuck Arnoldi, John Baldessari, Kim and Michael McCarty of Michael's, Lenny and Bernie Greenberg, LA Louver's Elizabeth and Peter Goulds, Barbara Lazaroff and John Hanwell, LACMA's Michael Govan, Times critic Christopher Knight, Chris Burden, Joe Goode, Margo Leavin, Bruce Nauman, Henry Hopkins. Years ago, Pane e Vino's Rod Dyer and I were the first to check out Jitlada and other Thai dining rooms, and we predicted Thai cuisine would be the next big thing. And it was.

