

50th BIRTHDAY Celebration for



The party of the year

The party of the year celebrated Sanford Director's first half century. Half the town was there plus some of the most spectacular show drags this side of Atlantic City. Portland Mayor Bud Clark, a member of Director's Gay Mayor's Commission, cut the first slice of the birthday cake.

The party featured disco queen Thelma Houston, and dance music was provided by Portland's Salmon Dave.

More than 1,700 persons forked over \$40,000 for the evening. Proceeds will be shared by the Right to Privacy PAC and the Chester Brinker Medical Memorial Fund.



Sanford Director & SNOW WHITE

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Teddy Bears earn bucks for Phoenix Rising

Helen Lottridge, executive director of Phoenix Rising Foundation, receives a check for \$496 from David McCartney and Jim

Peterson of Teddy Bear Express. Phoenix Rising volunteers delivered 69 (naturally) Teddy Bears on St. Valentine's Day. Phoenix Rising received a percentage of each order handled by their volunteers on that day.



State of siege: Dignity sails through

Dignity Portland hosted its fifth-annual community dinner on Feb. 6. About 140 community members, representatives of lesbian and gay organizations, clubs and social groups enjoyed a pleasant evening of socializing and networking.

Unfortunately, Priscilla and the Pusillanimites were on hand. A dozen or so PPs caused a commotion in the church sanctuary during a

service that preceded the dinner. This year's dinner was the first to be the object of a fundamentalist protest. The protesters used pickets, epithets and Bible-reading to harass people entering St. Francis Catholic Church.

Dignity has been under siege from the Catholic Church as well since the pope issued a pastoral letter in October 1986 condemning homosexuality and condoning violence against gays and lesbians.

