



WHITE MAGIC

White Magic by Pine Eisfeller was awarded the \$300 Second Grand Award and the \$100 first quilting prize in the WOMAN'S DAY National Needlework Contest held in 1942. She did much of her quilting free hand using a regular #10 needle with a thread about 34 inches long. She always quilted without a frame.

Close ups of the binding and center medallion are pictured in the JOURNAL Winter 1981 pg 15. Additional photograph and story on the back cover.



Photo courtesy of Piné Eisfeller

Left to right: Ronald Reagan, Governor of California; Pine Eisfeller; Leo J Ryan, Assemblyman; Carl Britchgi, Assemblyman; Richard Doiwig, State Senator; Frank M. Jordan, Secretary of State.

PINE EISFELLER

On March 3, 1966 Pine Eisfeller was ushered into the suite of California's Secretary of State, Mr. Frank M Jordan. Sometime earlier Mrs. Eisfeller made a reproduction in beads of the San Mateo County Seal which Mr. Jordan had seen and admired.

He asked her to reproduce the Great Seal of the State of California and she had come to obtain colored pictures of the one which had once hung in the ceiling of the House of Representatives and now hung on the west wall of the Secretary of State's office.

There was some concern when it was discovered that the colors of the Seal had never been officially ratified, but it was decided that after the completion of the replica there would be no trouble in getting the colors in Mrs. Eisfeller's rendition ratified.

On July 2, 1968 Mr. Jordan's office issued a press release, "A replica of the State Seal, made with more than 87,000 beads was presented to Governor Ronald Reagan today and in turn given to the Secretary of State for keeping in the State Archives...

Mrs. Eisfeller spent more than 400 hours over a period of 13 months making the 23inch replica."

The seal will be placed in a display case at the south end of the Capitol corridor as part of a special exhibit dealing with the official State Seal."

Since the article appeared, interest has grown in this fine quiltmaker. The Ridge Quilters of Paradise, CA The QUILTERS' JOURNAL, and Patience Corners will sponsor a one-woman show and reception to honor Pine on Nov 7 & 8 from 10-4 at the Shibui Gallery at 5155 Pentz Rd, Paradise CA 95969. We think you will want to meet her and see her fine quilts.

If you have additional questions please send a stamped self addressed envelope to Marian Graham, 619 Circlewood, Ca 95969 (916/872-9015) or Patience Corners, 1382 Solano Aye, Albany, CA 94706 (415/526-5947.

If there is enough interest, a bus (or buses) will be hired from the S.F. Bay Area with the possibility of going to the Nevada City quilt show as well as the Pine Eisfeller quilt show and reception.



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