

# Meals—and a lot Moore

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Betty Moore is a woman of vision. No sooner had the Saddleback Community Hospital been completed and its doors opened for business, when she saw a need for an outpatient meal program. From a small beginning of one route and four drop points, to today's seven routes, some 65 drop points and more than 400 volunteers, Betty has been with the Meals on Wheels program every step of the way.

Betty will be honored as Leisure World of the Month by Home Federal Savings and the Leisure World Historical Society in a ceremony on Wednesday, Sept. 5, at 10 a.m., in Clubhouse 6. The public is invited to attend.

Betty's involvement with the Meals on Wheels program started simply enough. She was an active member of Church Women United in 1974 when Dr. Lydia Deane from the Saddleback Hospital Board asked CWU to recruit "friendly visitors" and chairmen of the day from area churches. Dr. Deane also solicited the newly formed Moulton Kiwanis Club for volunteer drivers.

On Nov. 1, 1984, Meals on Wheels deliveries began and they have continued daily since. Betty served as coordinator of the program for its first five years and has continued as a volunteer under each of the new program coordinators.

The Saddleback Meals on Wheels program is far from the only volunteer work Betty has done. She was a social worker for the Illinois Emergency Relief Commission during the depression of the 1930s. Later, she worked for the American Red Cross. It was during this time that she married E. Virden Moore. After the Moore's two children were born Betty devoted her time to the family, but again she found time for volunteer work. She served with the American Red Cross during World War II and later with the PTA and Girl Scouts.

Betty was born in Northampton, Mass., but moved at a young age to Evanston, Ill. She attended Wellesley College and received a bachelor's degree in psychology. Later she obtained her master's degree in social work at Northwestern.

The Moores moved to California in 1959 and after Virden's retirement in 1970, they moved to Leisure World. During recent years they have traveled extensively and have visited every continent. Last year they visited Japan, China and the South Pacific.

Betty keeps busy at home, too. She is a member and former officer



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of the Leisure World Women's Club. She also belongs to AAUW, the Keyboard Concert Club and Forum.

She is also active with the Geneva Presbyterian Church, where she is a deacon, and area parish leader and a circle leader.