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Sweet Adelines Stories: It Wasn't Easy Being Green

In August of 1982, the Sweet Adelines Leadership Seminar was held in Tulsa, OK. Participants were divided into choruses and a director and choreographer were assigned to each chorus. Mary Dick and Judy (Ode) Olson were a team that year.

Since the chorus was going to sing "It Isn't Easy Being Green", all were asked to wear something green. Mavis Burtness (visual person extraordinaire) was in the chorus and, of course, wanted all singers to have special false eyelashes. They were instantly made out of black construction paper and attached with glue just above the eye.

Well – The night of the performance, it was raining and everyone had to run through it to get to the concert hall. Several did not have umbrellas, but "There's No Business like Show Business", and the show must go on. Imagine the laughter when some of the black construction paper eyelashes got wet and caused vivid black streaks to run down their cheeks!

It certainly was a lot of fun – but – it wasn't easy being green.

"The Mean Green Machine" Chorus