

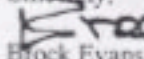
FEDERATION OF WESTERN OUTDOOR CLUBS

The evening closed when Cha-das-ka-dum improvised a song to Hazel and her life, accompanying himself on his drum. As he sang there, eyes closed, absorbed in the rhythm and music of the ancient words, a remarkable thing happened: one by one, a few at first, then the whole audience, rose and joined in the song—it did not matter that we did not understand the words. We understood their meaning, and it was for Hazel, and to Hazel, that we directed the music of our hearts. None of us wanted it to end—either the magic of that moment, or indeed, the whole spirit and comradery of the Convention itself. All of us who were there will never forget it.

So—to those of you who were not there, here is my message: Come next year! You will always be glad you did. You won't want to miss performances like we had this year: Seattle's "Raging Grannies" (what a neat group!) and a wilderness exercise by the Great Old Broads of Wilderness (yes, you read right!). And the FWOC welcomed two new clubs: the Washington Swan Working Group and the North Cascades Audubon Society.

Thank you, good colleagues and fellow members of the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, for allowing me to serve as your President for another year, and to continue to be a part of this tenacious and vital little institution of ours. We will continue to strive to make our services and contributions to your clubs even better in these coming months.

Sincerely,


Brock Evans

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