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Speaker 1 [00:00:27] It begins pretty basic. All you really need is a rod, reel, line and fly. But fly fishing can become consuming. For lifelong Montana fisherman Bud Lilly, what began as a pastime turned into his passion for life. And his life, the subject of national historians.

Bud Lilly [00:00:47] I had no idea in 1933 or 34 when I was fishing this creek, that my life would be almost entirely dominated by the sport of fly fishing. And it's amazing to me now that I'm even going to be part of a museum exhibit that shows all the tackle that I've kind of grown up with.

Mike Garnett [00:01:04] Southwestern Montana has long been the destination for people interested in fly fishing, and that had a lot to do with the Museum of the Rockies, located on the MSU campus in Bozeman, as being selected as the site to unveil Anglers All 2000, the finest collection of fly fishing memorabilia in the world.

Speaker 4 [00:01:21] It's the the King Tut of fly fishing shows. One of the easiest ways to appreciate this exhibit is just to think about all the household names that are here. Ernest Hemingway, several presidents, Daniel Webster, Babe Ruth, Bing Crosby. All these people were passionate about fishing.

Bud Lilly [00:01:39] [00:01:39] **They're** [0.0s] just such an array of wonderful tackle. And that tells you, I think, about the kind of people that enjoy the sport of fly fishing. When I left the museum, I wanted to go fishing that next afternoon.

Mike Garnett [00:01:52] This is Mike Garnett, reporting on Montana's Fish Wildlife and Park.