

A NOTE FROM: Lorie Hagen

I recently attended the 2011 Federation of Fly Fishers Conclave in West Yellowstone this year. This was my first trip to West Yellowstone and let me tell you this is one of the most beautiful parts of Montana as it's surrounded by national Forest that is laced with blue ribbon streams. It was a great location for this year's event! I traveled from South Dakota to Montana with my sister-in-law; she's also an avid fly fisher-woman. We signed up for the women's program which included one-on-one time with professional casting instructors. This was truly a great learning experience; they really could not have picked better instructors.

During a tying class I had the pleasure of meeting Sherry Steele. Sherry is a noted fly tier from Sisters, Oregon. She designed the Whychus Canyon Steelhead Fly to honor the Deschutes Land Trust's creation of Whychus Canyon Preserve. Sherry and I spent a couple of hours together and tied quite a few different flies with Saltwater Angel Hair. One of which is a trout fly, feature in next month's newsletter, the other is a steelhead fly.

Sherry Steele's Whychus Canyon Collection consists of five different flies. On Friday she came up with the sixth using Larva Lace Saltwater Angel Hair material. What a great looking fly!

To find out more about the Whychus Canyon and how to tie this fly go to: www.deschuteslandtrust.org click on the whychus Canyon Reserve then on the Whychus Canyon Steelhead fly. You can watch the video of Sherry tying this fly along with a list of materials needed. Thank you Sherry for the time you spent with us!



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