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- **3,800 acres** (5,500 acres with Moonlight Basin)
- Skiable vertical: **4,350 feet**
- Longest run: **6 miles**
- Over **150** named trails
- **Zipline** through the forest
- **400 inches** of annual snowfall
- International reputation for **short** or **nonexistent lift lines**

# BIG SKY SKI CONFERENCE MONTANA 2012

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

13 Hours of COPE-Approved Credits

### THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2012

- 3:00–5:00 pm Registration Desk Open
- 4:00–6:00 pm **Education:** Diabetes: Treatment and Management  
*Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 30271-SD
- 6:00–7:00 pm **Education:** Update on Age-Related Macular Degeneration  
*Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 31587-PS

### FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012

- 6:00 am Breakfast
- 6:30–7:30 am **Education:** Optometric Co-Management of Retinal Procedures  
*Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 29457-PO
- 7:30–8:30 am **Education:** New Technology in the Management of Age-Related Macular Degeneration  
*Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 28684-PS
- 8:30–9:30 am **Education:** Nutritional Options for ARMD  
*Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 26046-PS
- 9:30 am–4:00 pm **Ski the Big Sky**

### FRIDAY, continued

- 4:00–6:00 pm **Education:** The Clinicians' Guide to Glaucoma: Diagnostic Considerations & Dilemmas  
*Joseph Sowka, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 30684-GL
- 6:00 pm Exhibit Reception

### SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2012

- 6:00 am Breakfast
- 6:30–8:30 am **Education:** Anterior Segment Grand Rounds  
*Joseph Sowka, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 27200-AS
- 8:30–9:30 am **Education:** Managing Glaucoma in Atypical Patients  
*Joseph Sowka, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 28976-GL
- 9:30 am–4:00 pm **Ski the Big Sky**
- 4:00–6:00 pm **Education:** Prevention of Medical Errors  
*Joseph Sowka, OD, FAAO*  
 COPE # 25380-EJ
- 6:00–9:30 pm Horse-Drawn Sleigh Ride/Prime Rib Dinner (optional)

# SKI Montana

2012  
 BIG SKY  
 SKI CONFERENCE

HUNTLEY LODGE  
 BIG SKY CONFERENCE CENTER  
 BIG SKY, MONTANA

MARCH 1–3, 2012

Montana Optometric Association  
 online registration at [www.mteyes.com](http://www.mteyes.com)



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Horse-drawn Sleigh Ride & Prime Rib Dinner

The Lone Mountain Ranch offers an evening horse-drawn sleigh ride and prime rib dinner for children and adults. Just take the public shuttle bus from the Huntley Lodge to the sleigh, then enjoy a 20-minute sleigh ride to the remote North Fork Cabin where a very special prime rib dinner is cooked on an old-fashioned wood fuel cook stove. After dinner, return by sleigh to meet the public shuttle bus back to Huntley Lodge. Saturday night reservations are available. Reservations are limited, so register early to be assured of accommodations. Reservations are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Adults: \$87.55; Children age 4–12: \$72.10; includes tax; gratuity not included. For safety—only children 4 and older may participate.

### Discounted Daily Lift Tickets

Lift tickets will be available at the Big Sky ski shop and the concierge desk at the discounted rate of \$63 per adult per day. **This discount is only available to conference attendees registered in accommodations through Big Sky.** Children under 10 ski and snowboard free (up to 2 children per paying adult). Mountain ski tours may be arranged in advance at no charge.

### Cancellation Policies

Cancellations received before February 13, 2012 entitle the registrant to a full registration refund. Cancellations received after that date will be subject to a \$50 service charge. No refunds will be made after February 23, 2012. All cancellation requests must be made in writing. Registration substitutions may be made at any time without incurring a service charge.

### Continuing Education Credits

Earn 13 hours of COPE-approved credits.

### What to Wear

All Big Sky Ski Conference activities are casual. Ski clothes are acceptable for all lecture sessions. On the slopes, dress warmly and in layers, so you can adjust for variations in temperature.

## TRANSPORTATION

The Bozeman, Montana **airport**, Gallatin Field, is served by Delta, United/US Airways, Frontier and Alaska/Horizon airlines. Visit [www.gallatinfield.com](http://www.gallatinfield.com).

**Ground transportation** from Bozeman to Big Sky and surrounding lodging facilities is available from Karst Stage Shuttle. Karst Stage Shuttle offers a 10% discount to conference attendees. Reservations are required a minimum of three days in advance and should be made on the **Airport Shuttle** page of Karst's web site, [www.karststage.com](http://www.karststage.com). Choose **MOA** from the Group or Conference box on the online reservation form. (No refund will be issued for shuttles cancelled with less than 48 hours advance notice.)

**Car rental agencies** available at the airport are:

- **Alamo:** 877-222-9075
- **Enterprise:** 800-261-7331
- **Avis:** 800-331-1212
- **Hertz:** 800-654-3131
- **Budget:** 800-527-0700
- **National:** 877-222-9058
- **Dollar:** 800-800-3665
- **Thrifty:** 800-847-4389

## COME TO BIG SKY, MONTANA

It's not only **where** you ski, it's **what** you ski. For many of Big Sky's guests, the ultimate proof of that statement is **Lone Peak**. This tram-served, black diamond-studded mountain is a major test of skill and endurance. It's a playground of steep chutes, narrow couloirs and wide-open powder fields. In addition to Lone Peak, advanced skiers and boarders will want to check out the **Challenger lift** and the back side of **Andesite Mountain**. Skiers and snowboarders can enjoy Big Sky's **terrain park**. This area on North Ambush features a half-pipe, bank turns, rope tow and piped-in music. It's **perfect for the family** that wants to play together on the mountain. All totaled, the diverse terrain is more than you can ski in a week—and more than enough to make your ski trip one to savor. Big Sky offers 5,512 **skiable acres**, 4,350 feet of **vertical** and an **annual snowfall** that exceeds 400 inches.

Terrain that varies from satin-groomed cruisers to steep, powdered chutes—all served with a highly **efficient lift network** made up of the tram, highspeed quads, chairlifts, a gondola and several surface tows. Recreational activities abound at Big Sky Resort—downhill skiing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, dog sledding and snowmobiling await your pleasure. **No lift lines.** Children 10 and under ski free! Big Sky's Ski School offers **lesson packages** to suit your needs. Plus, the 28,000-square-foot **Snow Crest Lodge** will make the before-and-after ski experience equally uncrowded and convenient for skiers. The ski-in/ski-out facility houses ticket sales, ski rentals, ski school, child care and lockers as well as restaurants and shops. Families will appreciate the one-stop pick up and drop off convenience for both skis and kids. We hope to see you in Montana!

## LODGING

The **Big Sky Conference Center** is an all-season, self-contained facility, located 45 miles south of Bozeman, Montana, nine miles from the turn-off on U.S. Highway 191. It consists of both a mountain village and a meadow village. **Huntley Lodge**—a ski-in/ski-out facility—at the mountain village will be the center of conference activities. Other hotels at the resort are the **Shoshone Condominium/Hotel**, the **Summit at Big Sky**, and the **Big Horn Condominiums**. The conference has reserved rooms at these facilities in the name of the Montana Optometric Association for Wednesday, February 29, through Sunday, March 4 (departing March 4). To be assured of the MOA rate, make your reservations by **January 29, 2012**. For reservations, contact Big Sky Conference Center:

- Phone: **800-548-4486** or **406-995-5000**
- Fax: **406-995-5001** • Website: [www.bigskyresort.com](http://www.bigskyresort.com)

### Huntley Lodge

Guests per room	1	2	3	4
First Class (4 guests)	\$207	\$232	\$257	\$282
Deluxe (4 guests)	\$218	\$243	\$268	\$293
Loft (6 guests)	\$256	\$281	\$306	\$331

(Room rates do not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

Lodge rates include a daily breakfast buffet in the Huntley Dining Room. Breakfast is served daily from 6:30 to 10:30 am only. No credits or refunds will be offered. Children 10 and under sleep free in the same room as parents and enjoy complimentary daily breakfast buffet.

### Shoshone Condominium/Hotel

Guests per room	1	2	3	4
Suite (4 guests)	\$366	\$387	\$407	\$427
Loft (6 guests)	\$499	\$519	\$539	\$559

(Room rates do not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

Shoshone guests have exclusive access to a complete health club. Rates include a daily breakfast buffet in the Huntley Dining Room.

### Summit at Big Sky

Guests per room	1	2	3	4
Hotel (2–4 guests)	\$281	\$301	\$321	\$341
Studio (2 guests)	\$238	\$258		

(Room rates do not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

Rates include a daily breakfast buffet in the Huntley Dining Room.

### Big Horn Condominiums

3 bedroom (up to 8 guests)	\$499
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(Room rate does not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

### Stillwater Condominiums

Studio (2 guests)	\$169
1 Bedroom (4 guests)	\$222
Loft (6 guests)	\$294
2 Bedrooms (6 guests)	\$309

(Room rates do not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

### Village Center

Guests per room	1	2
Studio (queen murphy)	\$206	\$231

(Room rates do not include tax or service fees on accommodations.)

- **If you need assistance with lodging**, please contact the MOA office at **406-443-1160**.

The Montana Optometric Association (MOA) cannot be held liable for events beyond its control, such as acts of God, government regulations, disasters or weather-related hazards, civil unrest, acts of terrorism, or any other emergency, making it inadvisable or impossible to hold the conference. MOA will make every effort to inform the participants as soon as possible to enable the participants to cancel hotel and flight arrangements.

## FACULTY

### Steven Ferrucci, OD, FAO

Dr. Ferrucci is currently Chief of Optometry and Residency Director at the Sepulveda VA Ambulatory Care Center and Nursing Home. He is also an Associate Professor at the Southern California College of Optometry. Dr. Ferrucci has lectured and published extensively, with a special interest in Diabetes, Diabetic Eye Disease, ARMD and Fluorescein Angiography. He is an active member in the American Optometric Association and the National VA Optometric Association, as well as a fellow in both the American Academy of Optometry and the Optometric Retinal Society.



### Joseph Sowka, OD, FAAO, Diplomate

Dr. Sowka is a Professor of Optometry at Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry where he serves as Chief of The Advanced Care Service and Director of the Glaucoma Service at the College's Eye Institute. Dr. Sowka is a founding member of both the Optometric Glaucoma Society and Optometric Retina Society and is an executive board member for both societies. Dr. Sowka is a Diplomate of the American Academy of Optometry—Disease Section, Glaucoma Subsection.



## FOR MORE INFO

If you have any questions about this conference, please contact MOA. Send registration and fees to:

### Montana Optometric Association

36 South Last Chance Gulch, Suite A  
Helena, MT 59601

**Phone:** 406-443-1160

**Fax:** 406-443-4614

**E-mail:** [sweingartner@rmsmanagement.com](mailto:sweingartner@rmsmanagement.com)

**Website:** [www.mteyes.com](http://www.mteyes.com)

Online  
registration at  
[www.mteyes.com](http://www.mteyes.com)

# YELLOW- STONE PARK

## SKI AND SNOWBOARD PROGRAMS

### Backcountry Skiing

### Cross•Country Skiing

## DOG SLEDDING

### SNOW SHOEING

### snowmobiling

## FAMILY activities

## CHILD CARE

## SHOPPING AND FOOD

## ON YOUR OWN

■ **Yellowstone Park:** Big Sky skiers have the opportunity for a unique lifetime experience of visiting Yellowstone National Park in the winter. Shuttles run from Huntley Lodge to West Yellowstone, 47 miles south of Big Sky and gateway to the Park (Karst Stage 800-845-2778). One has the choice to tour the Park via snowcoach, cross-country skis or by snowmobile through SeeYellowstone.com Tours (800-221-1151). Snowmobile rentals, clothing and equipment are available at Canyon Adventures (800-520-7533). Advance reservations are recommended.

■ **Ski and Snowboard Programs:** Big Sky offers a variety of skiing and snowboarding programs. Big Sky's Snowsports School is staffed by highly qualified ski instructors from the U.S. and Europe. You can hire a guide or you can jump into a clinic of your choice: mogul or powder skiing, ski racing, style or cross-country and telemark. There are all kinds of lesson packages to suit your needs. Children's ski and snowboarding school programs are available for age 3 and up. Professionally tuned skis, boots and bindings, as well as high performance demo skis, and snowboards are available for rental. The ski shop will repair and tune skis overnight. Call the ski staff for more information at 406-995-5743 or log on to the website at [www.bigskyresort.com](http://www.bigskyresort.com).

■ **Backcountry Skiing:** Venture next door to Bee Hive Basin, Porcupine Creek or other parts of neighboring Gallatin National Forest, or tour Yellowstone National Park. Stop in the local shops for area maps, advice on trails, rental equipment and updated avalanche forecasts. Call Grizzly Outfitters (888-807-9452; website: [www.grizzlyoutfitters.com](http://www.grizzlyoutfitters.com)) or Gallatin Alpine Sports (888-325-7463; website: [www.gallatinalpinesports.com](http://www.gallatinalpinesports.com)) for more information.

■ **Cross-Country Skiing:** The nationally renowned Lone Mountain Guest Ranch, located 5 miles from Huntley Lodge, offers over 45 miles of groomed trails for cross-country skiers. Nordic ski lessons are available, as are rental equipment and guided tours. Call 800-514-4644 or log on to the website at [www.lmranche.com](http://www.lmranche.com) for more information.

■ **Snowshoeing:** Rent top-of-the-line snowshoes and check out Big Sky's new trail that starts at the base of Andesite and Lone Mountains. Call Lone Mountain Ranch at 800-514-4644, Big Sky Rental Shop at 406-995-5743, or Grizzly Outfitters 888-807-9452.

■ **Family Activities:** Big Sky's *Focus on Fun* free family program offers benefits throughout the winter season. Daily activities for kids of all ages are provided. The varied programming includes indoor and outdoor activities such as fireworks, tubing park, family movie nights and s'mores around the campfire.

■ **Child Care:** *Lone Peak Playhouse (LPP)* is a day care center at Big Sky. Spaces are limited, and require advance registration (the earlier the better). In addition to their full- and half-day programs, children 4 years and up, with confirmed reservations through Big Sky, can participate for free in *Kids Club*. Call 406-993-2220 for more information.

■ **Shopping & Food:** There are many fine shops in the complex, and Big Sky and Gallatin Canyon have many excellent restaurants and a number of taverns with a variety of live music to set your toes to tapping.

# REGISTRATION



## MONTANA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

Big Sky Ski Conference • Huntley Lodge • Big Sky, Montana • March 1–3, 2012

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname for badge \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ OE Tracker # (6 digits) | | | | | |  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

### O.D. Registration (includes all CE sessions and exhibit reception)

	By February 13	After February 13	TOTAL
<input type="checkbox"/> MOA/AOA Member Optometrist	\$300	\$350	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-member Optometrist	\$455	\$525	\$ _____

### Additional Tickets

**Friday Exhibit Reception** (food and beverages included) **\$25 each** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/guest name(s) as they should appear on name badge:  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Horse-drawn Sleigh Ride & Prime Rib Dinner**  
(optional—Saturday, March 3, 6 pm, Lone Mountain Ranch)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of adults (age 13 & over) **\$87.55 each** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of children (age 4–12) **\$72.10 each** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Note: For safety—only children 4 and older may participate.)  
Name(s) of ALL participants \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL registration fees—payment must accompany registration.** **TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Method of Payment

Check enclosed (payable to Montana Optometric Association)  
 Visa  Mastercard  American Express  Discover  
Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Card Validation Code \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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• **Online registration at [www.mteyes.com](http://www.mteyes.com)** •

**Mail-in registration, please include form and check (if paying by check) to:**

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