

### **Big Sky Institute Science Friday: Germs, Bugs, and Fire: The Fate of our Forests**

*Join Steve Clark, retired forester and senior silviculturist for the Gallatin National Forest and explore the forests of Andesite Mountain and Lone Peak to learn about forest ecology, including how tree diseases, invasive insects, and fire fit into the big picture. Participate in hands-on activities including tree-coring and forest inventory. Children of hiking age are welcome with a responsible adult.*

July 30

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Big Sky Resort

\$25 per person, lift ticket included; bring your own lunch

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Call 993-9355 to sign up

### **Big Sky Institute 5th Annual Evening Gala**

*Don't miss the event of the summer! Celebrate "Connecting the Dots Through Science", dine on the creations of By Word of Mouth's catering, and dance to the music of Montana Rose. A spectacular live auction raises money for BSI's local efforts. Every year is a sell-out so get your seats now!*

July 31

7:00 pm

BSI Property on Highway 191 (parking at Ophir School)

\$100 per person

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Call 993-9355 to register

### **Science Adventures Camp with the Big Sky Institute**

*Learn the thrill of science while exploring outdoors and designing and conducting experiments! Even take the opportunity to get started on next year's science fair project. For youth going into 5th through 8th grades.*

Mondays, August 2 through August 16

1 pm – 4 pm

Big Sky Community Park Pavilion

\$100

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Contact Camp Big Sky ([www.bsccmt.org](http://www.bsccmt.org))

### **Big Sky Institute Hike: Habitat Discoveries**

*Learn to look deeper into surrounding habitats, understand why certain ecological signs are unique to specific habitats, and look for signs of life during a hike led by professional naturalist Denise Wade. Participants must wear sturdy hiking boots/shoes, carry water & rain gear, and bring their own lunch. Children of hiking age are welcome with a responsible adult.*

August 3

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Location to be announced

Free (donations accepted)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Call 993-9355 to sign up (limit 12 hikers)

### **Big Sky Institute Mountains & Minds Speaker**

*Hear how BioRegions International Director Clifford Montagne “connects the dots through science” with his work in Mongolia and Russia. See a presentation from his latest trip to these exciting yet surprisingly familiar locales.*

August 3

7:00 pm

BSI Office, Big Sky

Free (donations accepted), refreshments will be served

Come one, come all!

### **Big Sky Institute Hike: Leslie’s Choice**

*Explore with professional naturalist Leslie Stoltz as she takes you to one of her favorite places in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Participants must wear sturdy hiking boots/shoes, carry water & rain gear, and bring their own lunch. Children of hiking age are welcome with a responsible adult.*

August 14

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Location to be announced

Free (donations accepted)

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Call 993-9355 to sign up (limit 12 hikers)

### **Big Sky Institute Mountains & Minds Speaker**

**OUR SPEAKER CANCELLED, SO I’LL HAVE TO UPDATE YOU WHEN WE GET OUR REPLACEMENT**

August 17

7:00 pm

BSI Office, Big Sky

Free (donations accepted), refreshments will be served

Come one, come all!

### **Big Sky Institute Science Friday: Rafting Through Watershed Science**

*Learn about water quality and watershed science with MSU researcher and Blue Water Task Force director Kristin Gardner. Really “dive into it” with a half-day raft trip with Geysers Whitewater. Children welcome with a responsible adult. Thank you to Geysers Whitewater for offering us special discounted rates!*

August 20

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Meet at Geysers Whitewater

\$30 per person, includes ½ day raft trip, bring your own lunch

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Call 993-9355 to sign up (limit 20 people)

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