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“What’s So Important About Bats?” at the Montana House November 10, 2012

The Montana House and the Glacier National Park Fund are pleased to co-host a presentation by Lisa Bate, wildlife biologist for Glacier National Park. She will discuss current findings of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Bat Inventory and Monitoring Project initiated in 2011. The event will be at 4 pm Saturday afternoon, November 10th at the Montana House in Apgar Village.

Bate will include information on the ecological importance of bats, why bats are such a focus in research these days, and how biologists survey for bats. Lisa currently oversees the wildlife monitoring program along the Going-to-the-Sun Road during its reconstruction phase, bat and bird monitoring throughout the park, and oversees the Glacier National Park research projects on bats and harlequins ducks. Prior to her employment at GNP, Lisa worked as a private research wildlife biologist focusing mainly on birds, cavity-nesting species, and their habitat.

The presentation at the Montana House will be at 4 p.m. with time for questions and answers and a reception to follow. The event is open to the public without charge, but seating is limited, so reservations are needed. Please call 406-888-5393 for additional information and to reserve your seats.

Hans and Toni Jungster established the Montana House Regional Craft Shop in 1960 in Apgar Village, just inside Glacier National Park. Their daughter, Monica and staff continue to carry on their mission: to celebrate and promote the creativity of Montana and Native American artists and craftsmen for our mutual benefit. The Montana House has been a long time avid supporter of Glacier Park and celebrated its 50th anniversary in June 2010. The shop is open all year round.

The Glacier National Park Fund is the non-profit partner for Glacier National Park, whose mission is to preserve and protect the beauty and heritage of the Park for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. For further information, call 406-892-3250 or go to www.glaciernationalparkfund.org.