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2007 Summer Institute has changed locations. It will now be held on the Montana State University campus in Bozeman. Registration begins in April, and the Institute takes place June 5th – 7th. The focus of the Institute is on emergency preparedness and the creation of a disaster plan for public libraries. They will be using the free online template called dPlan. It is designed by the Northeast Document Conservation Center and Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The goal of the Institute is for each member attending to leave with the beginnings of a comprehensive disaster plan.

Great Falls Public Library Young Adult Advisory Council celebrated their one year anniversary. Their largest project to date is the development of a young adult room, which will be called the Teen Scene. Through the shift of the nonfiction collection, a space is being carved out for the Teen Scene area. The room is still in the developmental stage, but they know that it will not be too long before the bean bag chairs they have already bought will find their new home within the Teen Scene area.

Want to practice your reading? Bozeman Public Library has brought the dogs back. It is all part of their R.E.A.D. to a Dog program. On Saturday mornings, children may come to the library to practice their reading as a well-trained dog listens to them.

When the cold temperature descends upon us for our long winter nights and the colors of our world have faded to browns and whites, colors explode within the MSU Billings Library. It's time for their annual quilt show. Whimsical, creative, and works of art quilts arrive from the campus community, whether they created and quilted it or a dear family member has, they come to be displayed and admired.

(See pictures within other attachments).