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MARKETING YOUR LIBRARY: IT'S ESSENTIAL

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TLA 2009 Conference Poster Session Abstract -- Are you losing your students to Google? As more students surf the Internet for information, librarians have to create new ways to connect with students on their own turf.



Wednesday, April 2, 2008 Oam - 1:30pm on Borchuck Plaza of Sherrod Library Snacks & Coffee

Dr. Don Johnson, poet and professor, will begin
our session at 11:50am
Celebrating National Poetry Month













Marketing takes many forms.





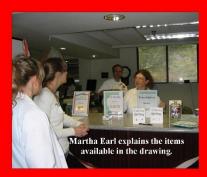






Ghost Stories on the Plaza -Thursday, October 23 7:30-9:00pm Open mike -if you dare, share your spine chilling story. Eving blankets to keep the cold out and Sherrod Library will provide hot drinks and snacks to keep







Our desk top display with Consumer Health Information Service brochures and library information hand-outs.



Note the Preston Medical Library phone numbers and contact info cards in this attractive prize purse.



Celebrating!

This is how the University of Tennessee



Cynthia Vaughn hosts the giveaway table with Preston and National Network of Libraries of Medicine pens and pads.



Michael Lindsay staffs the Preston Medical Library exhibit during the Torch fundraising drive on the UTMC campus in fall 2008.



A big prize for National Medical Librarians Month!

Preston

Medical



Sandy Oelschlegel explains the planned new library lay-out to Graduate School of Medicine staff.



Sandy Oelschlegel and Noreen Gadzekpo offer brochures, pens, and candy along with good will and positive public relations.



Sandy Oelschlegel shows historical footage of UT Medical Center to Dr. Diddle and Dr. Shacklett, retired physician faculty, on Doctors Day.





- Make a brochure and distribute it in as many places as possible
- Seek opportunities to collaborate with other departments
- Use bookmarks
- Send out press releases for radio, television, newspapers
- Invite speakers
- Exhibit anywhere you're invited Keep an up-to-date library newsletter, blog, RSS or e-news feed
- Podcast your information
- Support other departments' programs by creating a special topic list of resources for their events
- Participate in career day at high schools



