

AKRON, Ohio: On October 30<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 pm the Archives of the History of American Psychology (AHAP) at The University of Akron held an open house to celebrate American Archives Month. The open house was a collaborative effort between AHAP and the university's Archival Services department. Special tabletop archival exhibitions were created in both departments and guests were invited to enter a



**Comment [S1]:** This table top exhibit featured different tools and supplies that archivists use on a daily basis including white gloves, plastic clips, and encapsulation materials as well as examples of materials that can be found in our collection (letters, photographs, etc.). The write-up talked about the importance of archives in documenting history.

book raffle for titles donated by The University of Akron Press. AHAP created an exhibition detailing what archives are and why they are important. A number of different archival supplies were displayed including document cases, encapsulation supplies, white gloves, and plastic clips in addition to captions describing each item and how it is used in an archive. Several other small exhibitions were created using archival material from the collection. Themes ranged from the psychology of fear to parapsychology and ESP. A variety of archival material

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such as photographs, documents, three-dimensional apparatus, and wire audio recordings were represented in the displays.



**Comment [S2]:** This photo shows all six of the small, table top exhibits that were created for visitors to view during a two-hour open house that was open to the community and the campus. Materials included represented the wide range of papers and artifacts that AHAP houses within its collections.

The University of Akron's Archival Services created exhibitions that featured local legends of ghosts and hauntings in the Akron area in honor of the holiday season. Displays about the archives holdings as well as special collections, such as The B-26 Marauder Collection, were also included. The open house provided an opportunity for people to meet the new director of Archival Services, Vic Fleischer. The event was promoted through university-wide e-mailing and flyers were posted across campus. A wide variety of visitors came for the event, including students of the university, high-school students, faculty and staff.

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