

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8



ARCHIVES WEEK PROGRAM AT THE CENTER FOR JEWISH HISTORY



**“Preservation at Home”
& a behind the scenes tour**



The archivists at the Center for Jewish History, representing the Center and its partner organizations, will hold an open house for the general public on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 from 4:30 to 6:30.

4:30 - 5:00

Informal discussion and Q&A with the Center conservator and professional archivists.

Topics include:

- Housing and environment for family papers, photographs and scrapbooks
- What to do with obsolete audio-visual formats like VHS tapes, audio cassettes and 35mm slides
- Examples of how not to scrapbook and how not to repair at home will be on display

Handouts will be provided.

5:00 - 6:30

Tour behind the scenes at the Center, with additional input from the viewpoint of the archives staff:

- **Digital Lab** – how professional digitization differs from scanning at home
- **Processing Lab** – how a box of papers becomes a manuscript collection
- **Rare Book Room** – brand new exhibit space
- **Philanthropy exhibit** – with content from partner collections, exhibit explores philanthropy in the Jewish community
- **Genealogy Institute** – Getting Started with Family History Research and an introduction to genealogy resources at the Center; Yiddish expert available for questions
- **Reading Room** – show-and-tell with special examples of the kinds of collections housed at the Center

Image from National Jewish Welfare Board collection #I-337, courtesy of the American Jewish Historical Society