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## Shadow Ghost Encounter

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Lindsey Pike  
Logan, Utah  
December 5, 2018

Title: Shadow Ghost Encounter  
Genre: Supernatural Legend

Informant: Lindsey Pike is a junior at Utah State University and she is studying elementary education in hopes to be a teacher one day. She is from Bluffdale Utah and is a Resident Assistant at the Living Learning Center, which is student housing. She is the Resident Assistant for building D on the third and fourth floor.

Context:

I had walked over to the people who live across the hall from me's room in my dorm to see if I could find anyone that would have a story that I could interview them about. They decorated their door in blue Christmas wrapping paper with snowmen on it. Someone then answered the door and let me in to a room that was also decorated with wrapping paper of the Christmas variety everywhere. Though I would think it to be, the room did not smell like Christmas though, it didn't really smell like anything. I asked the girls who lived there if they had a story and they didn't but lucky for me the RA Lindsey came in and said that she has a ton of ghost stories. The girl's room was connected to the RA's room so this was not a weird thing just for her to be in there. We then proceeded to sit down on the couch and have her tell me her stories while the other 5 people in the dorm were going in and out of the room and talking in their own conversations and just going about their day not paying much attention to us.

Text:

Ok, so one day I was a senior in high school, and I was over at my friend's house, and we were in her basement, and so she has like a movie theater type of thing and so there is a screen, and there's no windows or anything ok? So there's this screen and then in the back room there's like the DVD player and all that, and so we're watching, uh, Hairspray, of course, and we are like halfway through and then we see this, shadow, in the corner, and we look over and we were like wow that was weird, and then we just keep going watching the movie, and then a little while later it goes across the screen, over into the kitchen area, and then, we're like oh shit and we were hiding behind all the blankets and all of that, and then we started hearing like all of these pots and pans and everything, and we're like holy shit and then we see it move one more time into the back over by the DVD player, and then like the movie starts getting louder and louder and louder, and that's when we just like booked it upstairs. So yeah that's my story.

Texture:

I could tell that Linsey was excited to tell her stories. She must of heard me asking if anyone knew a ghost story because she came in from her room and seemed excited that I was asking this question. She was saying that she had a ton of personal ghost stories and was happy to share with me. When she started telling me I heard one of her roommates say that she was going to close the door because she didn't want to get scared even. Lindsey told the story more like she was telling me a interesting story instead of one that she was super scared about. She also acted like this was just another day, like things like this has happened to her multiple times and that it wasn't really surprising to hear that it happened to her. When she was saying 'oh shit' and such in the story that's when I could tell that she was scared in the situation, but how she told the rest of it suggested that she didn't seem traumatized by the experience. I believe she would have told the story the same way in almost any situation. Maybe if she was at a campfire telling scary stories or something she would have said it more scared, but how she told it to me was her most genuine version.

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