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HERSTORY 1 & 2: Exhibit and Author Talk

(Woodland, CA) – In honor of Women’s History Month this March, Yolo County Library will be showing the exhibit: *Herstory 1 & 2: The Legal History of Chinese American Women*, at all branches, except for the South Davis Montgomery Branch Library. The exhibit, curated by Dr. Chang C. Chen, aka Dr. Chiu Chang (邱章彰), showcases the legal milestones and often harrowing stories of these brave women. Before their lives and accomplishments are completely lost in the annals of history, the author aims to tell *Herstory* and give voice to those Chinese American women who paved the way for our past, present, and future.

The theme for the 2023 Women’s History Month is *Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories*. It was developed by the National Women’s History Alliance and honors women in every community who, like Dr. Chen, have devoted their lives and talents to producing art, pursuing truth, and reflecting the human condition decade after decade. More information about the theme can be found online at nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org.

Dr. Chen grew up in Taiwan and immigrated to America 50 years ago to pursue her graduate studies. After obtaining her Ph.D. in biochemistry from Rutgers University and J.D. from Columbia University Law School, she launched an illustrious legal career spanning 35 years. Not one to just practice law, she was elected as a Taiwan senator and hosted four television shows. During the 1990s, her most popular program, “Chiu Chang Talking Law,” on Star-TV in Hong Kong, catapulted her into the limelight. She swiftly became a celebrity female attorney and personality, still to this day a real feat in Taiwan. Dr. Chen has authored 83 books on topics ranging from law to marriage. *Herstory: The Legal History of Chinese American Women* was her first book in English and the first exhibition she curated.

Dr. Chen will discuss her books and the exhibit at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 25th at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, located at 315 E. 14th street in Davis, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 20th at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. Both events will be recorded. Additionally, Yolo County Library branches are providing bibliographies featuring books by and about women who reflect this year’s theme and a commemorative bookmark.

For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit: www.yolocountylibrary.org or connect with the Library on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org.

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