**Interview Transcript: Angelina Choi**

**Interviewer**: So this is a recording of superstition regarding good and bad luck from Korea . Name of the informant is Angelina Choi. Place collected is Novack Room. Date collected is November 6th. So could you tell us a little bit of background about yourself?

**Interviewee**: Yeah, I was born in Pennsylvania but I moved to Georgia around 4 years old so I’ve lived in Georgie for most of my life. My parents are both from Seoul, Korea. And so my heritage is Korean but I’m an American citizen.

**Interviewer**: So do you have any superstition regarding good luck?

**Interviewee**: I do have one. I have always heard that if you have a wallet that’s red, it’s good luck because it means that it will bring in money.

**Interviewer**: Do you have anything regarding bad luck?

**Interviewee**: Whenever you’re giving someone a wallet as a gift, you are not supposed to give them an empty wallet. So it has to have some money in it.

**Interviewer**: So I’m just curious about the social context. When and where would you hear these kinds of superstition. Who’d be present? Would this be told at a specific time?

**Interviewee**: I think for me when I heard of this it was more when my mom was either buying a wallet for herself or buying a wallet to give as a gift to someone. So that’s just like in the context of figuring out gifts for people.

**Interviewer**: Okay, do you have any ideas on why these superstitions might have arose in Korea?

**Interviewee**: I think for a lot of Korean holidays, whenever there’s money involved, whatever the money pouch or envelope would be colored red, and so I think it’s also a Chinese superstition that red is good luck so it’s probably related to that.

**Interviewer:** Okay, thank you.