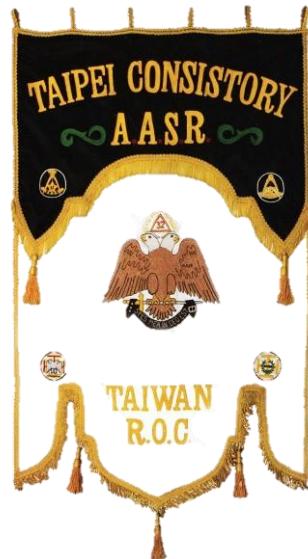


Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Taipei Bodies

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Fall Reunion

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Words from Venerable Master

Dear Illustrious, Sir Knights, and Brethren of 32nd degree!



We just had a successful and wonderful Scottish Rite Fall Reunion for the Taipei Bodies, Taipei Valley last week September 14th to 16th, 2023 in Taiwan.

I would like to extend my eternal gratitude to all who made the effort to take their time off from their daily schedules, and join the wonderful Fall Reunion in helping to raise (or to be raised) new candidates to the craft!

But our journey is not finished! We still have more ahead of us! Please reach out for a newly raised 32nd degree Brother and mentor him...the process goes both ways, both can learn and grow together in the craft!

What is the point? To get to Equilibrium, you must get “Involved”. To paraphrase a beautiful sentiment from a former President, “Ask not, what the Scottish Rite can do for you, Step Up and ask, what you can do for the Taipei Bodies Scottish Rite. There are many opportunities and Taipei Bodies Scottish Rite needs you. If you are not sure how, just ask. Do not wait for a tap on your shoulder. You have just been challenged, do some research, get involved.

We in the Scottish Rite have such an opportunity to lend our support to our Brethren, and to others in our communities. All we need to do is to remember our obligations to do good unto all. It does not take much to touch the lives of those with whom we come in contact. Little courtesies like a helping hand, a smile, a willingness to spend a few moments with someone and listen to their concerns can go a long way to brightening their day and leaving a lasting impression.

If you still are not sure, or have ideas, suggestions, even criticism...please do let anyone of Scottish Rite staff or bodies officers know...we are here to listen and implement changes! And I am reachable always!

“Live long and prosper in the Scottish Rite way!”

Paulo Wu / Venerable Master
Taipei Bodies

Preamble

The Scottish Rite, a distinct branch within Freemasonry, embodies a rich and complex extension of the craft, centered on moral and philosophical instruction and enrichment. This branch, which evolved during the 18th century, serves as an intricate labyrinth of degrees – each providing progressive lessons on ethics, leadership, and personal development, structured through allegorical narratives and symbolic undertakings. Freemasonry itself, a fraternal organization steeped in history, mystery, and grand tradition, embraces the Scottish Rite as a pathway for members to further explore the complexities of human existence, spirituality, and societal relations.



In analyzing the role and significance of the Scottish Rite within Freemasonry, it is imperative to delve deeply into its historical roots, tracing its evolution and adaptation across different cultural and temporal landscapes. Its structure, comprised of 33 degrees (or levels of initiation), fosters a deep

commitment to philanthropy, education, and community engagement. Through a rich tapestry of rituals, ceremonies, and lectures, members are encouraged to cultivate virtues such as tolerance, compassion, and wisdom. Moreover, a study into its intricate rituals and symbolism unveils a multifaceted approach to moral philosophy and spiritual enlightenment, drawing from various traditions including Christianity, Judaism, and esoteric schools of thought.

Furthermore, the Rite functions not only as a conduit for personal growth but as a social institution that has subtly influenced various facets of societal development throughout centuries. It has often served as a gathering place for thinkers, leaders, and influencers, thereby playing a role in shaping the discourse of the time. Thus, an exploration of the Scottish Rite within Freemasonry promises not only a journey into the heart of a storied organization but an unveiling of the complex interplay between tradition, spirituality, and the persistent quest for knowledge and understanding in the human experience.

As such, a comprehensive study of the Scottish Rite serves as a lens through which one can perceive the labyrinthine corridors of Freemasonry, offering both a rich historical narrative and a fertile ground for contemporary analysis and discourse. This abstract aims to pave the way for an intellectual odyssey that explores the depth and breadth of the Scottish Rite, its significance within Freemasonry, and its broader implications in the sociocultural and philosophical domains of human society.

Welcome Party

Once upon a September evening, beneath the celestial swathes of the Eastern skies, members of the enigmatic Scottish Rite convened at the majestic ILLUME Hotel in Taipei, Taiwan. As the sun bowed to the night on the 14th of September, a constellation of the most enlightened minds gathered to forge bonds and share the ancient wisdom that binds them as a fraternity.

The ILLUME Hotel, with its modern yet deeply reverential architecture, seemed to hum in resonance with the frequencies of the universe, as though welcoming the luminous beings stepping within its precincts. The very air seemed to shimmer with an electric anticipation, as Masons from various corners of the globe converged, each bearing the weight of tradition and the sparkle of individual insights.



The Grand Ballroom was transformed into an ethereal space, where time seemed to fold upon itself. Underneath the golden glow of the chandeliers, a blend of rich cultures was mirrored in the meticulous décor - an homage to the universal principles that the Scottish Rite upheld. In one corner, a tapestry depicted the Tree of Life, its branches reaching out as if to touch the hearts of the assembled guests, weaving them into a single entity pulsating with a shared heartbeat.



The evening unfolded like the petals of a blossoming flower, revealing layers of connection and camaraderie that transcended borders. Clad in attire that bore the symbolic richness of the Masonic tradition, the attendees exchanged greetings, their hands touching in a dance of unity and respect. It was a mosaic of the human spirit, where laughter reverberated and resonated with the timeless hymns sung by the stars.



As the twilight hour approached, the assembly was graced by the presence of the Venerable Master, a figure of towering wisdom and gentle grace. He stood at the heart of the gathering, his words weaving a tapestry of dreams and aspirations that connected everyone in a circle of light and fraternity. With eloquence, he spoke of the journey of self-discovery, the pursuit of knowledge, and the unending quest for spiritual enlightenment, pillars upon which the Scottish Rite was founded.

Dinner was served under a canopy of soft, twinkling lights, where the senses were regaled with culinary delights that mirrored the diversity and richness of the human experience. Conversations flowed like streams of consciousness, merging into a river of shared stories and philosophies. The atmosphere was imbued with a mystical aura, a merging of the earthly and the celestial, as though the boundaries between the heavens and the earth had momentarily dissolved.



As the night progressed, the guests were invited to partake in a ceremonial dance, a harmonious blend of ancient rituals and contemporary expressions. The dance floor transformed into a cosmic plane where energies intertwined and spiraled in a symphony of unity, a testament to the transformative power of the Scottish Rite.

Outside, the Taipei skyline shimmered under the gaze of the moon, bearing silent witness to this confluence of souls. Within the sacred space of the ILLUME Hotel, the members of the Scottish Rite forged new bonds, reignited old friendships, and breathed life into the age-old philosophies that guided their paths.



As the clock chimed midnight, marking the end of a magical evening, the guests stepped out into the night, their spirits aglow with the fire of fraternity and the luminescence of shared wisdom. The city of Taipei, with its vibrant pulse and twinkling lights, embraced them, as though acknowledging the radiance that emanated from this gathering of stars.



And thus, in the heart of Taiwan, amidst the modern splendor of the ILLUME Hotel, the Scottish Rite welcomed its members with an embrace that spanned time and space, weaving them into a living tapestry that told stories of love, light, and the eternal quest for truth and understanding. An evening etched in the annals of time, a beacon of light in a world yearning for unity and harmony.

This event, more than a party, was a symphony of human connection, a testament to the mystical bonds that unite us in the grand tapestry of existence, under the watchful eyes of the cosmos, where every heart is a star, and every soul, a luminous note in the celestial symphony of life.



And thus, under the watchful eyes of the stars, the Scottish Rite convened, leaving behind echoes of an evening where the chords of brotherly love played the most beautiful symphony, weaving together hearts in a dance of unity, respect, and eternal fraternity. An evening where every gesture was a poem, every word a pledge, and every heartbeat a testament to the enduring and beautiful journey of brotherly love within the Scottish Rite.

Conferral (Day 1)

Once in a timeless interlude that bridged epochs and transcended the fleeting moments of the mundane world, the most venerable members of the Scottish Rite convened in a sacred enclave to commemorate a day of profound significance and spiritual elevation. The first day of the Conferral during the 2023 Biennium was not merely an event, but a living tapestry woven with threads of light, wisdom, and eternal brotherhood.

In the soft glow of the early morning light, the brethren gathered in solemn anticipation, their hearts resonating with the pulsating energies of an age-old tradition that had traversed centuries and shaped the destinies of many a noble soul. The ambiance within the ornate hall was thick with the resonance of whispered prayers and silent commitments, a symphony of souls attuned to the ageless vibrations of fraternity and enlightenment.

The ceremony commenced with the conferral of the Honorary degrees, a ritual steeped in the profoundest depths of Masonic lore. First was the conferment of the esteemed 33°, the Inspector General Honorary, a degree that echoed the summation of a Masonic journey marked by perseverance, wisdom, and an unyielding commitment to the Masonic principles. The recipients, venerable individuals who had walked the path of light and shadow with equal grace, stood before their brethren, their beings radiating an inner light forged through years of dedication and service.



The hall resonated with the melodic strains of ancient hymns, as the next conferral unfolded, honoring the recipients of the 32°, Knight Commander of the Court of Honour. These individuals, who had demonstrated remarkable leadership and fostered unity within the fraternity, were ushered into a circle of honor, where they were bestowed with medallions and regalia rich with symbolism, a testament to their journey and the promises of the paths yet to be traversed.

As the morning gave way to the golden hues of noon, the brethren convened once more, this time to embark on a ritualistic odyssey that would guide them through the variegated landscapes of the Masonic degrees. The hall transformed into a sanctum of knowledge and illumination as the rituals of the 4th degree commenced, a symbolic initiation into the realms of secret mastery and an invitation to delve deeper into the mysteries of existence. Through allegorical narratives and symbolic gestures, the participants were guided on a journey of self-discovery and enlightenment, their souls resonating with the eternal truths embedded within the Masonic traditions.



As the sun journeyed its celestial arc, the brethren progressed to the rituals of the 14th degree, an experience that beckoned them to traverse through the gates of time and step into the sacred precincts of inner sanctuaries. Through narratives rich with esoteric wisdom and moral lessons, the participants embarked on a voyage that expanded their consciousness and fostered a deeper understanding of the complex tapestry of human experience.



With the descent of evening, the hall was bathed in the soft glow of the moon as the rituals of the 18th to the 29th degrees unfolded in a grand tableau of light and shadow. The brethren, now united in a circle of light, were guided through a labyrinthine journey marked by trials, tribulations, and the ultimate transcendence into higher realms of understanding. Through each degree, the participants were invited to unravel the complex mysteries of life, to forge bonds that transcended the boundaries of time, and to seek the illumination that lay in the pursuit of truth and universal brotherhood.



As the night embraced the world in her silvery veil, the brethren stood together under the celestial canopy, their hearts united in a silent pledge of fraternity and mutual respect. The first day of the Conferral had woven together not merely ceremonies and rituals, but had created a living, breathing entity, a brotherhood that echoed the rhythms of the cosmos and the eternal dance of light and darkness.

In the quietude that followed, as the stars whispered secrets to those who listened, the members of the Scottish Rite dispersed into the night, their spirits aglow with the flames of wisdom and unity. They stepped into the new dawn as bearers of light, as custodians of ancient secrets, ready to illuminate the world with the radiant glow of brotherhood, understanding, and love.

Thus, in the golden cradle of the 2023 Biennium Conferral, a new chapter in the annals of the Scottish Rite was penned, a chapter that promised journeys through illuminated paths, where every step was a testament to the enduring legacy and the transformative power of the Masonic tradition, a journey that echoed the timeless dance of the stars in the boundless heavens.

Conferral (Day 2)

As the delicate hues of dawn began to paint the sky, the brethren of the Scottish Rite assembled once more, stepping over the threshold of time into a space where centuries of wisdom and brotherhood awaited to unfold. The second day of the Conferral promised revelations and rich insights, as the seasoned members stood ready to immerse themselves in the venerable rituals of the 30th and 32nd degrees. The air was thick with anticipation, the very walls echoing with the whispered secrets of ancient Masonic traditions.

With the first rays of the sun kissing the hallowed grounds, the grand hall came alive with the soft rustle of robes and the solemn murmur of preparatory prayers. The brethren gathered in a circle of unity, their hearts resonating with a collective heartbeat that reverberated through the centuries, a testimony to their enduring commitment to the principles of Freemasonry.

The ceremony commenced with the profound ritual of the 30th degree. Underneath the golden canopy of the morning sun, the initiates were ushered into the sanctum of truth and justice. Here, in the golden embrace of the morning light, the participants embarked upon the path of the Knight Kadosh, a journey that beckoned them to wield the symbolic sword of integrity, to embody the principles of truth and justice in a world hungry for virtuous leadership.



Within the solemn confines of the ritual chamber, time seemed to transcend its linear bounds. The brethren were led through a series of allegorical narratives, their beings resonating with the timeless lessons imparted through the ancient rites. As the

ritual unfolded, a celestial harmony permeated the space, a symphony of higher truths and divine revelations. Through sacred symbols and hushed incantations, the participants were guided to delve deeper into the mysteries of existence, fostering an awareness that spanned beyond the boundaries of the mundane world.

The morning sun climbed higher, and as the golden rays danced upon the ornate tapestries, the assembly transitioned seamlessly into the sanctified realms of the 32nd degree, the domain of the Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret. Here, in the glowing heart of the morning, the brethren were invited to sit at the feet of celestial wisdom, to unravel the intricacies of the universe and to forge a deeper understanding of the symbiotic relationship between man and the cosmic forces that governed the realms of existence.



This was a dance of celestial energies, a harmonious union of light and shadow that echoed with the sublime truths hidden within the folds of space and time. As the rituals unfurled, the brethren found themselves woven into a living tapestry of ancient wisdom and cosmic revelations. Through a series of intricate rituals and solemn vows, they forged unbreakable bonds of brotherhood, stepping into a legacy that echoed with the voices of ancient luminaries and celestial guardians.

As the sun reached its zenith, marking the approach of noon, the final whispers of the ritual resounded through the hall, weaving together the golden threads of wisdom and fraternity that had been spun throughout the morning. As the gavel struck, marking the completion of the ceremonies, a profound silence enveloped the assembly. In the sacred pause that followed, the brethren stood together, their hearts united in a bond that transcended time and space, an embodiment of the eternal principles of truth, justice, and brotherly love.

And thus, as the clock heralded the arrival of noon, the members of the Scottish Rite stepped forth from the hallowed hall, their beings illuminated with the radiant glow of newfound insights and sacred revelations. They emerged as bearers of ancient secrets, custodians of a legacy that promised to illuminate the paths of countless generations to come.

In the golden embrace of the noonday sun, they gathered once more, sharing embraces and words of kinship, their spirits united in a bond that echoed with the celestial harmonies that had guided their journey through the illuminated paths of the 30th and 32nd degrees. As they dispersed, they carried with them the radiant flames of wisdom and fraternity, ready to illuminate the world with the principles of justice, virtue, and the unwavering pursuit of the greater good, heralding a new chapter in the enduring journey of the Scottish Rite, a journey guided by the timeless dance of stars and the eternal flame of brotherly love.



Banquet

In the vibrant heart of Taipei, amidst the dazzling skyline, stood the elegant ILLUME Hotel, a beacon of sophistication and grace. On a serene evening, it became the epicenter of a gathering of illustrious minds and noble hearts, as the Scottish Rite convened for a banquet that promised not just a feast for the senses, but a celebration of unity, achievements, and camaraderie.



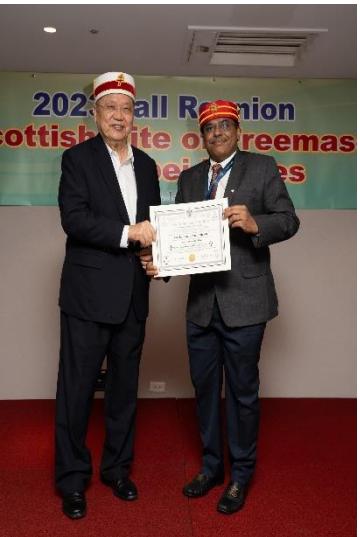
As the sun bowed its golden head to the moon, brethren from various corners of the world congregated under the glistening chandeliers of the grand ballroom, a modern edifice that melded seamlessly with the principles of fraternity and ancient wisdom that the gathering represented. The air was laden with a melodic symphony of laughter and congenial conversations, a harmonious prelude to the significant events that awaited.

Deputy Norman, a figure of profound wisdom and grace, took to the podium as the guardian of the evening's ceremonial heart. His presence commanded reverence, a living testament to the principles and virtues that guided the path of every Mason. As he spoke, his words wove a rich tapestry of the journey that brought each member to this precious juncture, a crossroads of enlightenment and recognition.

With a voice that echoed through the realms of time, Deputy Norman began the momentous ceremony of bestowing honors upon the distinguished candidates. The first to be acknowledged were the recipients of the Inspector General Honorary (IGH)



and Knight Commander of the Court of Honour (KCCH) certificates. The hall resonated with applause, a symphony of hands coming together in unity and celebration, as each candidate stepped forward to receive their certificates.



In the golden glow of the spotlight, the Deputy presented the certificates with solemn grace, each parchment a testament to the dedication, virtue, and wisdom that had led these worthy individuals to this sacred moment. His hands, seasoned by years of service and dedication, transferred not just a document, but a mantle of responsibility and honor to the recipients. Each handshake was an affirmation, a vow to continue the journey with integrity and passion.



As the ceremony progressed, the atmosphere thickened with a palpable sense of reverence and brotherhood. The next segment of the ceremony beckoned the Venerable Master to the podium, a beacon of guidance and wisdom in the labyrinthine journey of Freemasonry.



Holding a velvet box, adorned with the intricate symbols that echoed the rich history of the Masonic tradition, the Venerable Master initiated the rite of passage for the candidates ascending to the 32nd level. One by one, the candidates were called upon, their names reverberating through the hall like a melodious hymn.

As they approached, the Venerable Master bestowed upon them badges of honor, emblems representing the pinnacle of their journey thus far. Each badge was a cosmos in itself, encapsulating the profound mysteries, the celestial journeys, and the bonds forged in the crucible of brotherly love.



The room became a sanctum of celestial light, a space where time bowed to the timeless bonds being forged in the golden embrace of the evening. The badges gleamed with a divine radiance, reflecting the paths each member had tread, paths illuminated with wisdom, courage, and an unwavering commitment to the principles that bound them as brothers in the celestial dance of Freemasonry.



As the final badge was bestowed, a hushed reverence fell upon the gathering, a silent acknowledgment of the gravity and the beauty of the moment. The Venerable Master stepped back, allowing the newly honored brethren to bask in the



glow of their achievements, their faces radiating with a mixture of pride and humility, a testament to their journey through the degrees of enlightenment.

And then, as if orchestrated by the heavens themselves, the room burst into a

symphony of applause and congratulations, a celestial music that echoed the harmonies of brotherly love and unity.



As the evening unfolded, the brethren shared in a feast that mirrored the richness of the experiences shared and the bonds forged. Underneath the twinkling lights of the ILLUME Hotel, stories were exchanged, laughter echoed, and toasts were raised to the timeless journey of the Scottish Rite.

As the moon cast her silvery glow upon the gathering, the brethren stepped out into the night, their spirits buoyed by the love and camaraderie that filled the air. In the heart of Taipei, amidst the modern grace of the ILLUME Hotel, a celestial banquet had woven a tapestry of unity, honor, and brotherly love, echoing the timeless dance of the stars in the boundless heavens, whispering tales of the ancient and noble path of the Freemasonry, a path illuminated by the radiant glow of wisdom, fraternity, and the eternal flame of brotherly love.



Class Phoenix Taipei 2023

In the mystical chambers of the Scottish Rite, a remarkable assembly congregated under the celestial tapestry woven with threads of ancient wisdom and universal secrets. The candidate class of 2023, individuals who had ventured through layered echelons of learning, stood at the cusp of a profound transformation. Much like the fabled Phoenix, they were poised for a rebirth, to rise from the ashes of their previous selves, radiant and resplendent in newfound wisdom and brotherly unity.



The ceremonial hall was bathed in hues of golden dawn, the gentle light kissing the intricate mosaics that adorned its walls. Each mosaic narrated tales of old, whispers of the paths walked by venerable masters who had sought enlightenment through the ages. But this day, a new story was about to unfold, a narrative of metamorphosis that echoed the legendary rebirth of the Phoenix.

The candidates gathered in solemn assembly, their hearts reverberating with the silent hum of anticipation and unity. In this sacred enclave, time seemed to dance to a different rhythm, its cadence marked by the harmonious pulse of hearts attuned to the celestial symphonies of the universe.



As the Venerable Master took his position, the hall resonated with a silence that held the secrets of the cosmos, a silence pregnant with the promise of revelations yet to unfold. The Master, an epitome of wisdom and grace, raised his hands, signaling the beginning of a ritual that mirrored the celestial dance of the Phoenix, a dance of death and rebirth, of endings and luminous beginnings.

Each candidate was led to the symbolic pyre, a place where old beliefs and limited visions were to be relinquished, to make way for the radiant birth of a more enlightened, more unified being. As they stood before the pyre, the flames danced with a mesmerizing grace, inviting them to surrender their old selves to the transformative power of the fire.

With solemn vows whispered to the flickering flames, each candidate relinquished their past, their fears, and their doubts into the sacred fire. The flames seemed to sing a celestial song, a hymn that embraced their offerings, transmuting them into sparks of divine potential, ready to birth anew in the sacred flames of wisdom and unity.



As the ritual unfolded, the hall seemed to be enveloped by a golden phoenix, its wings embracing the gathering in a warm, luminous embrace. Its eyes, orbs of cosmic wisdom, gazed upon each candidate, infusing them with the fires of transformation, nurturing the sparks of their newfound potentials.

With each step, the candidates felt a profound transformation occurring within their very beings. They felt their hearts expanding, their visions broadening, as they embraced the universal truths that resonated within the melodious song of the Phoenix.

As the ceremony reached its zenith, the golden Phoenix spread its fiery wings, casting a radiant glow upon the assembled brethren. In a chorus of celestial harmonies, the candidates were ushered into their new beginnings, reborn in the golden fires of wisdom, unity, and brotherly love.

One by one, they emerged from the fiery embrace of the Phoenix, their faces glowing with an ethereal light, their beings resonating with the harmonies of the cosmos. They had become living embodiments of the Phoenix, bearers of light and wisdom in a world thirsting for the luminous flames of brotherly love and unity.

The hall erupted into a symphony of celebration, a harmonious crescendo that echoed the joyous song of the universe. The 2023 candidate class stood united, their hearts beating in harmonious rhythm with the celestial dance of the Phoenix.



As they stepped into the dawn of a new era, they carried within them the radiant flames of the Phoenix, a living testament to their journey through the fiery paths of transformation and enlightenment. United in brotherly love, they pledged to carry forth the luminous flames into the world, to illuminate the darkness with the radiant glow of unity, wisdom, and the eternal bond of fraternity.

And so, under the watchful gaze of the golden Phoenix, the candidates of 2023 embarked upon their new journey, a voyage guided by the celestial flames of rebirth and renewal, a journey to forge a brighter, more harmonious world, united under the golden wings of the Phoenix, the emblem of their eternal bond and the herald of their luminous future.



Financial Statement

In an effort to enhance our commitment to transparency and trust, we have decided to introduce a new policy concerning our financial reporting. Starting from the next issue, our Newsletter will feature a comprehensive financial report of the preceding two months. We believe that this move will not only promote open dialogue and trust amongst all stakeholders, but also offer an opportunity for our members to better understand our financial health, strategic decisions, and overall operation. We are dedicated to maintaining a high level of transparency in our financial practices, and we see this as an important step towards that goal.

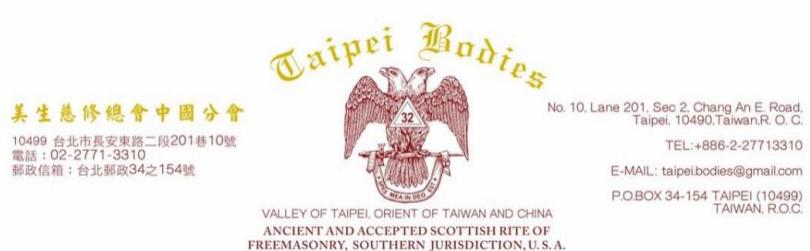
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Taipei Scottish Rite Bodies
Financial Statement NO.23 - 07
June 15, 2022 ~ July 15, 2023

1. USS Portion	
A. Balance Carried Forward from 6/15/2023	7,534.48
B. Income	
Dues from Web-June 2023	595.55
C. Beginning balance + receipt	<u>595.55</u>
	8,130.03
D. Expenditure	
	\$0.00
E. Balance as at 07/15/2023	<u><u>8,130.03</u></u>
2. NTS Portion	
A. Balance Carried Forward from 6/15/2023	224,176
B. Income	
Dues-Peter M.D. Pan	2,500
Dues-Tony Hsu	2,500
Dues-Enzo Chao	2,500
Dues-Moses Hsu	2,500
Dues-Hansen Kao	2,500
Dues-Po-Yuan Kuo 2022 & 2023	5,000
C. Beginning balance + receipt	<u>17,500</u>
	241,676
D. Expenditure	
Secretary transportation fee (June 2023)	-18,000
Cost for Ring & Lapel Pin(USD 1,122.7)	-36,627
Flower Basket for the funeral service of Bro. Chin Bing Chang's father	-2,000
Fruit Basket for SK. Stanley Yuen's Lady Hospitalized	-2,000
Import Tax for Honoray Cap	-1,305
	<u>-59,932</u>
E. Balance as at 07/15/2023	<u><u>181,744</u></u>
3. Almoner Collection	
A. Almoner Collection Forward from 6/15/2023	\$13,785
B. Income	
Almoner collection June 2023	\$1,125
C. Almoner collection Balance as at 7/15/2023	<u>\$1,125</u>
	<u><u>\$14,910</u></u>

Remarks: Balance as at 7/15/2023 cash on hand with Secretary
Winston- NTD 23,791
NTD15,580+NTD 8,211(Almoner collection)
Jili- NTD 0
(Paid Secretary transportation fee June 2023 12,942)
NTD 12,942-12,942=0



3. Life Membership Funds

Cathay United Bank Cert. No. 201-20-108975-7 06/Aug./2022 1.145% NT\$837,752.00

Cathay United Bank Cert. No. 201-20-108973-1 06/Aug./2022 1.145% NT\$800,000.00

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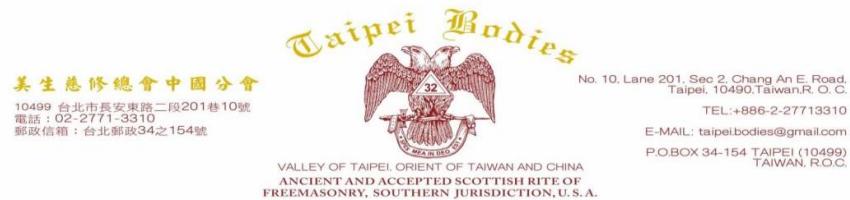
Respectfully Submitted,

Jili Lin
Treasurer

Approved by,

Paulo Wu
Venerable Master

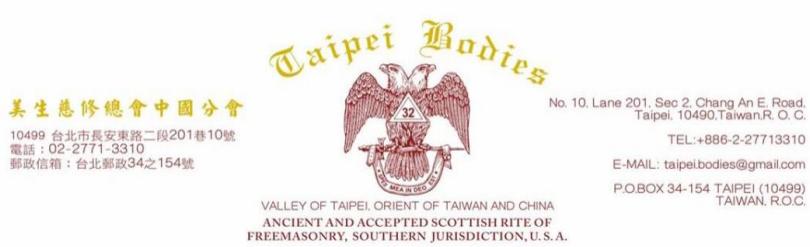
AUGUST



Taipei Scottish Rite Bodies
Financial Statement NO.23 - 08
July 15, 2022 ~ Aug 15, 2023

1. US\$ Portion		
A. Balance Carried Forward from 7/15/2023		8,130.03
B. Income		
Dues from Web-July 2023		679.89
C. Beginning balance + receipt		679.89
		8,809.92
D. Expenditure		
		\$0.00
E. Balance as at 08/15/2023		8,809.92
2. NT\$ Portion		
A. Balance Carried Forward from 7/15/2023		181,744
B. Income		
Honoray Coronation Fee for IGH from Winston Chen		20,000
C. Beginning balance + receipt		20,000
		201,744
D. Expenditure		
Secretary transportation fee (July 2023)	-18,000	
Postage to Fratline USA	-346	
Handling cost for Scottish Rite bank account change	-200	
Flower Basket for the hospitalized of Bro. Hsich Chin-Hwa & Stanely Yuen's wife	-4,000	
		-22,546
E. Balance as at 08/15/2023		179,198
3. Almoner Collection		
A. Almoner Collection Forward from 7/15/2023		\$14,910
B. Income		
Almoner collection July 2023		\$0
		\$0
Almoner collection Balance as at 8/15/2023		\$14,910

Remarks: Balance as at 8/15/2023 cash on hand with Secretary
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Jili- NTD 0



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The Scottish Rite Taipei Bodies

The Scottish Rite Taipei Bodies represents an integral arm of the broader Freemasonry network, a fraternal organization steeped in history and tradition. Situated in Taipei, this collective seeks to foster the growth and development of its members through a series of progressive degrees, extending the philosophies and teachings of the craft. The Scottish Rite, known for its elaborate rituals and deep commitment to philanthropy, aims to bolster the moral and spiritual fabric of its members, cultivating a space of intellectual discourse, spiritual enlightenment, and communal support.

In line with the core tenets of Freemasonry, the Scottish Rite Taipei Bodies embraces principles of brotherhood, integrity, and personal growth. Its members come together to navigate the complexities of modern life, drawing upon the rich reservoir of wisdom embedded in Masonic teachings. Engaging in a blend of charitable endeavors, educational programs, and ritualistic ceremonies, the members of the Scottish Rite Taipei Bodies commit to a journey of continual self-improvement and societal contribution.

As an influential entity in the city of Taipei, the organization stands as a beacon of solidarity and friendship, offering a space where individuals from diverse backgrounds can unite in the pursuit of knowledge, wisdom, and communal progress. In the context of a rapidly changing world, the Scottish Rite Taipei Bodies represents a steadfast pillar in the community, grounded in tradition, yet ever-responsive to the needs and aspirations of its contemporary membership.

Meetings	Date
Lodge of Perfection	Monthly on the 4th Tuesday except in July, August and September
Chapter Rose Croix	January, March, May, and November
Council of Kadosh	February, April, June, October, and December
Consistory	March, June, and December
Spring Reunion	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, April 27 and 28, 2024
Fall Reunion	Taipei, Taiwan, September 28 and 29, 2024

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