

DELAWARE COLLEGE, S.R.I.C.F.  
Minutes of the Semi-annual Convocation  
December 6, 2008

The Convocation was opened at 10:00 a.m. at St. John's Lodge, New Castle, DE, by Chief Adept Mark Irwin by the mystic word and clap of the order, followed by prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Officers and members attended as per register.

Secretary Herrington read the minutes of the Annual Convocation of May 27, 2008, and the Special Convocation of July 22, 2008, and the Treasurer's report, which included a checking account balance of \$127.44.

Motion was made and passed to permit the Secretary to have the original charter framed and hermetically sealed for its protection. It had previously been stored in the Tyler's office at 818 Market Street, without such protection. Finley's Art Shoppe of Newark, DE, did a beautiful job at a cost of \$70.28.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain a Tax I.D. number, per instructions from the General Grand Secretary. That number, 80-0317127, was granted on 12/23/08, and the Secretary informed the General Grand Secretary and Chief Adept Irwin. We previously had been using the Tax I.D. number of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, and this, we were informed, was unacceptable.

Fratr G. Thomas Taylor, VII of the Grand Convocation, was proposed for affiliation, and after discussion, it was moved and passed to give him the benefit of the ballot. The ballot was fair, and the Secretary was instructed to offer him a formal invitation to affiliate.

It was moved and passed to give a donation of twenty-five dollars to the St. John's Lodge Hall Board.

The Convocation was called to ease for the program, which was an exemplification of an Entered Apprentice Degree dating from 1765. Both the similarities and the differences from our current ritual were enlightening to the fratres.

Chief Adept Irwin called the fratres back to labor, and closed the convocation in form at 11:57 a.m.

Respectfully and fraternally,



James R. Herrington, VIII  
Right Worthy Secretary-treasurer