Invocation of Minerva for inspiration (for 4<sup>th</sup> of July ritual):

Minerva, you have been inspiration for so many throughout history. You have played a great role in the founding of our country, inspiring our founding fathers. Your image has appeared time and again throughout our country. One image of you that has inspired me is the one on the base of a statue of John Jay where you are dictating the constitution.

On this day where we celebrate the Declaration of Independence, we call on you to inspire us as you have inspired the founders of our country. Show us the things we need to see. Tell us the things we need to hear. Let us speak with silvered tongues, speaking only truths.

Minerva, we call on you to inspire us in our works tonight. Minerva, Accept our Sacrifice!