



It was young physical educator, Luther Gulick, who conceived the triangle as the YMCA's insignia. That was in 1891. To it he added the words, "Spirit, Mind and Body," with the feeling that strength of character comes from the strength of these three elements.

In 1897 the emblem was officially adopted. There are other features to the emblem. The circle signifies the eternal union of all Y members bound together in Christian fellowship. "XP" is an early Christian monogram made up of the first two letters of the Greek word for "Christ."

The open Bible, John 17:21, offers the expression "That they all may be one."



MERVYN D. DeMILLE
YMCA Leader

The English playwright Ben Jonson has stated: "Good men are the stars, the planets of ages wherein they live. They illustrate the times."

The Cambridge Family YMCA is proud to honor a good man—Mervyn D. DeMille—a star who illuminates our age. A man for all seasons.

Merv has enriched everyone who has known him. He has touched the lives of thousands through the Cambridge Young Men's Christian Association. His warm and caring leadership has been felt in his church, in the Order of Eastern Star and Masonic circles, in community theatre, and a host of civic and service endeavors.

To describe Merv's service to the YMCA as a ministry not only affirms the mission of the YMCA, but illustrates Merv's dedication to people. Merv joined the staff of the Cambridge YMCA in 1942 as Assistant to the Business Director and rose to Executive Director in 1975. Since his retirement in 1978, Merv has served in a host of volunteer capacities, including leadership on the YMCA Board of Directors.

A familiar face to many in the Boston area, Merv has appeared on Dave Maynard's "Community Auditions," sung in Gospel and Church choirs, performed in Gilbert and Sullivan productions, directed numerous Little Theatre productions, and organized and performed in YMCA mixed chorus and Barbershop groups.

Merv DeMille lives Walt Whitman's motto: "When I give, I give myself." The YMCA honors Merv DeMille with its "Spirit, Mind and Body" Tribute.

"Spirit, Mind and Body"

TRIBUTE LUNCHEON

Honoring

MERVYN D. DEMILLE

on the occasion of the
106th Annual Corporate Members Meeting
of the
CAMBRIDGE FAMILY YMCA

Tuesday, November 28, 1989
11:30 AM Social 12:15 PM Luncheon

The Royal Sonesta Hotel
Five Cambridge Parkway
Cambridge, Massachusetts

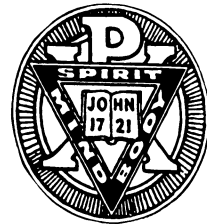
\$45.00 per person \$340 table of eight

Reservation card enclosed

(Ticket expense is NOT deductible as a charitable contribution according to IRS Revenue Ruling 67-246, 1967-2 C.B. 104)



*"Spirit, Mind
and
Body" Tribute*



YMCA MISSION:

The YMCA is a charitable association dedicated to building healthy spirit, mind and body. Part of a worldwide movement, it puts Christian principles into practice through programs that promote good health, strong families, youth leadership, community development, and international understanding.

Honoring an individual who exemplifies the elements of character of "Spirit, Mind and Body" embodied in the traditional YMCA symbol.

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October 10, 1989

Mr. Walter J. Sullivan
City Councillor
City Council
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Walter,

As you know, the YMCA will be honoring Mervyn D. DeMille with the Association's "Spirit, Mind and Body" Tribute. The Award will be presented to Merv at the YMCA's Annual Corporate Members Meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 28th, 1989. The program will be a luncheon format, beginning with asocial at 11:30 AM, followed by the meal at 12:15 PM.

I have enclosed some material on Merv's life, thinking that you will want to offer a Proclamation or Resolution from the City Council on this occasion. Merv has served the YMCA since 1942 - a remarkable life of community service!

A former member of the Broadway Baptist Church here in the City, Merv has given selflessly of time and talent for the betterment of our city. His service with the YMCA - rising as he did to the post of Executive Director in 1976 - was a credit to him.

Thank you again!

Sincerely,



Richard A. Foot
Executive Vice President

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United Way

HONOREE: Mervyn D. DeMille

I N T H E F O O T L I G H T S

- ° Broadway Baptist Church (Cambridge) Gospel Choir
- ° Cambridge YMCA mixed Chorus and Barbership Chorus
- ° Philips Congregational Church Choir
- ° Member of Handel and Haydn Society
- ° Gilbert and Sullivan performer
- ° "Christian Endeavor" Choir on WHDH Radio
- ° Eight appearances on "Community Auditions" earning third place honors one season
- ° Studied organ and piano
- ° Directed numerous Little Theatre (Community theatre) productions
- ° U.S. Army, 101st General Hospital (WW II):
Chaplain's Assistant, Choir Director
Member 14 piece band, piano player
- ° Cambridge YMCA productions

1989 "SPIRIT, MIND AND BODY" TRIBUTE LUNCHEON

HONOREE: Mervyn D. DeMille

T H E M I N I S T R Y O F T H E Y M C A

- g The Philips Congregational Church
 - Deacon
 - Church Growth Task Force
 - Choir
- o Order of Eastern Star (OES)
 - Past Patron
 - Chair, 75th Anniversary Committee
- o U.S. Army, WWII
 - Chaplain's Assistant
- o WHDH Radio
 - "Christian Endeavor" Choir
- o Broadway Baptist Church
 - Gospel Choir



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 16, 1989

COUNCILLOR WALTER SULLIVAN

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RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its sincere congratulations to Mervyn D. DeMille upon his selection as this years recipient of the **YMCA "SPIRIT, MIND AND BODY" AWARD**, in recognition of his thirty-six year career with the Y and all of its activities; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Mervyn on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council October 16, 1989.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

Joseph E. Connarton

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Joseph E. Conerton City Clerk

Order # 30 S-660

Councillor Walter Sullivan re: resolutions on
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presented to Mervyn D. DeMille.

In City Council,

Oct. 16, 1989

*Order adopted
by 8 members*