

# The Birmingham Eccentric

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Good citizens will be better citizens if they show, from time to time, some appreciation for what others do for them and their families. This means paying proper tribute to the teacher and preacher . . . to most public servants, and to all those friends and acquaintances who, from time to time, speak kind words and do kind acts for you and your family. Honest praise helps.

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## AGAIN AWARDED FIRST PLACE for GENERAL EXCELLENCE

*among all the NATION'S top weeklies*

The highest national honor in the weekly newspaper field was again awarded June 17, 1959 to The Birmingham Eccentric. This much coveted recognition as the top weekly among 10,000 in the nation represents the most highly cherished achievement in the weekly newspaper profession. In addition, a few months ago, we were awarded first prize by the Michigan Press Association as the best in Michigan!

These awards, made by the National Editorial Association and State Association, each year evaluate the American press, both daily and weekly.

The Eccentric proudly accepts these honors and, in so doing, reaffirm ourselves to a continued effort dedicated to the community's service. We pledge anew always to serve the best interests of both our loyal readers and our advertisers who make possible the successful operation of our publishing enterprise.

We feel the honors we have received are explicit tributes to publishing integrity and high journalistic morality. To them we shall continue to give our unfaltering dedication and energies.

## A PRIZE WINNER YEAR AFTER YEAR\*

(BELOW ARE LISTED AWARDS RECEIVED IN JUST THE LAST TEN YEARS)

1959

1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among Nation's Top Weeklies.

1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among Suburban Weeklies in Michigan.

1958

1st Place . . . Award for Best Use of Photographs among newspapers over 2,000 circulation in the United States.

1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among suburban weeklies in Michigan.

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1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among suburban weeklies in Michigan.

1956

1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among suburban weeklies in Michigan.

1st Place . . . Award for Excellence in Typography among all Suburban weeklies in the United States.

1955

1st Place . . . Award for General Excellence among top weeklies in the Nation.

Honorable Mention for Best News Story in newspapers over 1,500 circulation.

Honorable Mention for Best Use of News Pictures among all newspapers in the United States.

1954

1st Place . . . Award of Excellence for the outstanding suburban weekly in Michigan.

Honorable Mention for excellence in typography.

1953

2nd Place . . . General Excellence in the United States.

2nd Place . . . Award for outstanding General Excellence in Michigan.

1952

3rd Place . . . Award for Excellence in Michigan.

Honorable Mention for General Excellence among the nation's 10,000 weeklies.

1951

Honorable Mention certificate for Community service.

Honorable Mention certificate for excellence in typography.

1950

1st Place . . . General excellence award from Michigan Press Association.

\*NO OTHER MICHIGAN WEEKLY HAS EVER RECEIVED SUCH RECOGNITION!