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Melvin C. O'Leary Jr., left, president of Springfield-Meredith Associates, and Aaron Saunders, right, chief of staff for state Sen. Gale Candaras and chairman of the Ludlow Board of Selectmen, congratulate Scott P. Hirsh, winner of the company's \$10,000 grand prize of a trip to the Bahamas.

Firm fetes 2 accident-free years

LUDLOW — Meredith-Springfield, a plastics blow molding manufacturer in Ludlow, celebrated two years of remaining accident free, without a single day of work lost due to injury, by making winners out of some of its employees. Scott P. Hirsh, a machine maintenance technician from the Three Rivers section of Palmer, won an all-expenses-

paid trip to the posh Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas.

Stunned, Hirsh accepted the certificate worth \$10,000 and shook hands with Aaron L. Saunders, chief of staff for state Sen. Gale Candaras and chairman of the Ludlow Board of Selectmen, and Melvin C. O'Leary Jr., president of Meredith-Springfield Associates. Hirsh was not the only

winner of the day; John P. Szczygiel, of Wilbraham, won the second prize of \$100, and Jason P. Pennell, of South Hadley, won a day off with pay. While all 50 employees were given a chance to win the prizes, many had other opportunities throughout the year to improve their chances, having earned extra entries through attendance records and smaller incentive contests.