

# Newspaper receives state award

The *Heart of the Valley Times-Villager* received the Public Relations Appreciation Award, Press Category, from American Legion Department of Wisconsin at the 101st annual department convention held July 19 at Madison Marriott West in Middleton.

The newspaper was nominated by Little Chute Post 258.

The plaque, accepted by Editor Brian Roebke, says, "In recognition and sincere appreciation of your generous support of our veterans through the *Heart of the Valley Times-Villager*."

The newspaper serves the American Legion posts in Kaukauna, Kimberly, Little Chute and Sherwood, and VFW posts in the area.

The post submitted 61 examples from the last 12 months of the newspaper covering and honoring veterans.

"This keeps the American Legion, local veteran posts, and veteran issues in the eyes of the communi-

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Chad Brewer photo

**Editor Brian Roebke proudly displays the Public Relations Appreciation Award, Press Category, he accepted on behalf of the *Times-Villager* newspaper staff from American Legion Department of Wisconsin at the state convention held July 19 in Middleton.**

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# Award

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ties throughout the year,” the post wrote in its nomination. “The monthly news releases for the American Legion posts and other veterans groups are printed, many times with colored pictures. These articles provide the community with information about such things as the post’s involvement in community activities and events, support for youth activities, veteran

issues, activities and plans for the posts, and visiting military/Legion persons.

“This award would not be possible without the help of the Legion posts getting information to the newspaper,” Roebke said. “For years veterans were underappreciated I think because people didn’t know much about them. Because Legion and VFW posts are now offering that information, they are getting the attention they deserve.”