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Local Business Helps Support Less Fortunate

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PORTAGE, WI – Local business General Engineering Company (GEC) is doing its part in helping support the less fortunate this Thanksgiving by donating proceeds raised from its annual soup cook-off to St. Vincent de Paul for the annual free Thanksgiving meal hosted by St. Mary's Church in Portage.

On Wednesday, November 16th, employees cooked their favorite soup, stew, or chili in support of the annual free Thanksgiving dinner. Employees were able to purchase a bowl of soup for \$5.00. After all the contributions were added up, GEC then matched the proceeds that were made, which totaled \$300.00.

The Annual Thanksgiving Meal will be hosted at St. Mary's Church in Portage on Thursday, November 24th beginning at 12:00 p.m. till 2:00p.m. Those who are interested in making reservations or having their meal delivered can contact the parish office at 608-742-6998. Individuals who are interested in serving or helping prepare the dinner can contact Karen Everlith at (608)921-8483.

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Pictured in photo: General Engineering Company, President Jerry Foellmi presents a check for the amount of \$300.00 to Aaron Ramquist, General Manager of St Vincent de Paul for the annual free Thanksgiving meal hosted by St. Mary's of Portage. Shown are (from left to right) Jerry Foellmi, President, Robert Roth, Vice-President, Maureen Murray, Accounting & Benefits Coordinator, Aaron Ramquist, St Vincent de Paul, and Father Murphy, St. Mary's Church of Portage.