



*We give a hand up, not a hand out.*

**An Affiliate of the Community Foundation  
of Western PA and Eastern OH**

**P.O. Box 268  
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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

We invite you to take a trip down memory lane with us. The year was 1990, a time when *Cheers* dominated TV screens, *Home Alone* entertained audiences at movie theaters, and Boy Bands emerged on the music scene. The Hubble Space Telescope was placed into orbit, the World Wide Web debuted publicly as an internet service, and wrecking cranes began tearing down the Berlin Wall. Last but not least, the Strimbu Memorial Fund held its inaugural BBQ in May of 1990.

This year, we proudly celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> annual Strimbu Memorial BBQ. We are honored and humbled by the community support our event has received over the last 30 years. Your support has enabled the Strimbu Memorial Fund to continue our legacy of *giving a hand up, not a hand out*, to hundreds of individuals and organizations in need. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, May 1, at Yankee Lake Ballroom in Brookfield, Ohio. The evening will include Jeff Chrystal's mouthwatering BBQ menu as well as today's country music performed by Chris Higbee. A variety of unique items will be available for your bidding pleasure in our silent and live auctions.

Since its inception in 1990, the Strimbu Memorial Fund has provided over \$ 3.4 million to support academic scholarships, local economic development groups, non-profits, and other charitable organizations. We hope you will continue to support the Strimbu Memorial Fund by contributing an item or service that best represents your business to one of our auctions. Your contribution will enable your business to gain some great exposure to the more than 1500 BBQ attendees. An auction form is included for you to review. We also welcome you to check out our website at [www.strimbumemorialfund.org](http://www.strimbumemorialfund.org).

Tickets for the 30<sup>th</sup> annual Strimbu Memorial Fund BBQ are available at a cost of \$90 each. Tables can be reserved if 10 or more tickets are purchased. We historically sell out two weeks prior to the event. If you have any additional questions or wish to purchase tickets, please contact Pam Yersky at (330) 448-4046, ext. 134.

Sincerely,

Nancy Lukasko  
Strimbu Memorial Fund Board of Directors