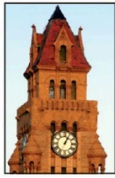


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Happy National Pi Day

In keeping with the urging to pray for our government, there is a suggestion to recognize this Wednesday is one of our U.S. Government's specially proclaimed days. It is National Pi Day!

On March 9, 2009, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a non-binding resolution (111 H. Res. 224) recognizing March 14, 2009, and each March 14 thereafter. It was a recommendation of the House's Committee on Science and Technology, a committee charged with providing encouragement in the study of the sciences as they produce enhancements in our nation.

It was submitted by the Committee's Chairman, a Democratic Party member, and the Committee's Vice Chairman, a Republican Party member. Truly a bi-partisan initiative! To me, it is recognizing the perfection in how scientific things in God's creation work!

Pi is the Greek letter sym-

bolizing the number derived when the circumference of a circle is divided by its diameter. It is a figure that is used extensively in scientific calculations, and thusly is an important figure. It produces the number 3.141592653, followed by an unending repeating cycle of numerals. One can easily see why the date of March 14 is the chosen day to celebrate that important scientific number.

My suggestion is that anyone who recognizes National Pi Day with a party or an activity might envision a devised contest to select winners of three prizes.

First prize could be an apple pie, to symbolize the Biblical reference to Deuteronomy 32:10 where it says God "kept him as the apple of his eye."

Second prize could be a pumpkin pie to remind us of the dessert often associated with the celebration of Thanksgiving.

Third prize could be a copy of Dr. Don Colbert's book, "Keto Zone Diet," one of many publications urging all of us to eat more healthy diets. It would symbolize our remorse and repentance from enjoying the first two prizes, with the intention to go back to the culinary principles of Dr. Colbert's book.

If one wants to have historical fun in the form of humor, it could be said that Pi relates to the legendary, undocumented reign of England's King Arthur and his famed Knights of the Round Table. Those gallant military noblemen were gathered with King Arthur at a round table, the seating of which symbolized a peerage between the knights and the king. One of the most revered knights to sit around the table was Sir Cumference, allegedly born on March 14, 1592 at 9:53 a.m.

Happy National Pi Day!

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