

**YOU are Invited to Volunteer Your Time & Talents
and/or
Make a Financial Donation**

To Help Achieve the Following Goals for about 160 Kids & Their Parents:

- Inspire home-educated kids of all ages to want to study Math
- Encourage and equip home-educating parents
- Teach lessons in Math and in other subjects related to Math
- Help students discover that Math and logical thinking skills are important to so many areas of life

TLDR (Too Long Didn't Read) Version:

How Can I Volunteer My Time?

Fill out the Form-Fill at <https://www.techeagles.com/pidaypartyhelp/>

How Can I Donate Money?

Teresa Barker is the treasurer for this event.

EITHER send money via PayPal by [CLICKING HERE](#)

OR mail a check (payable to Teresa Barker) to:

Teresa Barker 15252 Barnrock Rd Mendota, VA 24270

Any donor is welcome to ask for a financial report of the event, which will be ready within 4 weeks after the event.

WTMI (Way Too Much Information) Version:

I. What is a Pi Day Party?

<https://www.techeagles.com/pidayparty/>

II. When and Where is the Pi Day Party?

- Friday March 11, 8:30-3:00
- First Presbyterian Church, 701 Florida Avenue, Bristol TN

- Volunteer opportunities 7:30—4:30
- Hopefully, much will be outdoors
- We have a rain plan to do everything indoors if needed.

III. What Happens at the Pi Day Party?

- A. 8:30—12:00 Classes for all ages
- B. 12:00—12:30
 - Lunch Break for most; all bring their own picnic
 - Working Lunch for Scavenger Hunt leaders
 - We need help setting up various scavenger hunt stations for all ages
- C. 12:30—2:15 Scavenger Hunt
 - 18 teams, 6-8 kids each, race through challenges including:
 - Counting Money
 - Map Reading and compass use
 - Math and your Eyes
 - Finding parallel lines and other geometric shapes, right around where you are standing
 - Tessellations
 - Graphing head circumference and hand-span as dependent variables with age as the independent variable
 - Rolling a pair of dice, using tally marks to see which sums appear more often than others
 - How do we Ask the Right Questions, How do we Think Like Scientists?
 - Step counting
 - AND MORE

- Teams race to earn points; the team which earns the most points is first in line to eat pie!
 - The youngest members of the event have their own special coned-off area where they can have fun and earn points too!
 - It's FUN to simply WATCH as you CHEER for the kids!
 - We also need help!
 - Extra judges
 - College students, hopefully one student to run around with each team
- D. 2:10—2:30 Door Prizes for EVERY kid
- Maybe Door Prizes for Moms too?
 - See below!
- E. 2:30—3:00 Eating Pie and Fellowship
- F. 2:30—3:00 [Johnny Molloy](#) Will be On Hand to Sign Books!
- You can buy them from him that afternoon for \$15-\$20 each, or
 - You can bring what you already own ([abebooks.com](#), [thriftbooks.com](#), amazon, etc) and he'll sign that.
 - He will be leading one of the Scavenger Hunt Stations, 12:45—2:15, and you are welcome to bring a lawn chair and watch him share with the kids about the plethora of maps he is bringing.
- G. Beyond 3:00 Many people stay for extra fellowship; that is fine.
- We will need help cleaning up!

IV. Who Comes?

- Families invited by the teachers
- We would get to 500+ participants very quickly if we "invited the world," and we simply cannot handle that size, yet.
- So, this is an invitation-only event.

- Home Educating families from throughout Southwest Virginia and Northeast Tennessee attend.

V. Why does the Pi Day Party event need money?

- Consumable supplies: pencils, graph paper, etc.
- Building up our current supply chest which we use every year (more clipboards, more rulers, we could really use an extra whiteboard this year)
- One colorful headband per kid: about \$1.50 per kid
- Door prizes
 - one per student
 - many low-cost items
 - tape measures, fun rulers which double as protractors, regular rulers, graph paper, even just three sharp pencils tied with a ribbon
 - about 30% of the items will be higher-cost:
 - compasses, abacuses, books about Math or the Scientific Method, award-winning Math games the whole family can play, award winning toys about Math, etc.
 - **We hope and expect that much of the doorprize money can be covered by businesses who sponsor a scavenger hunt table.**
- Extra insurance cost of \$300
- Two policemen will be working for us 8:00—4:00, for a greatly discounted price of \$400 total (\$200 each). This dramatically increases our security at an event with so many kids, and we are grateful!
- Teachers' supplies
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“Reaching for The Stars”:

Better Resources for the Moms/Dads in Attendance

Anonymous Donations toward one “Protect Kids” booklet for each family

- A guide to help parents protect kids and teens in the world of digital communication, online activity, and smartphones.
- This is the third item at <https://www.techeagles.com/kids/>

- You can access [the whole guide here](#) , in digital form.
- I find that people are more apt to read it all if they have a printed copy in lieu of just a digital copy.
- I'd like to put a printed copy in all 60 of the gift-bags going home with parents; that would cost about \$250 (it is just over \$4 per booklet to have a nice printout done and stapled).
- Many parents continue to display utter cluelessness about the threats through which their kids and teens navigate, as they grow up in a world of digital communication and online activity.
- Giving parents a printed copy of this would help inform more parents, but is not essential to having a great Pi Day Party.
- If we have enough money to get one for each family, we will affix the following sticker to the side of page one of each book:

I pray that your children would grow “in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.” (Luke 2:52).

I pray also that God will give you the wisdom to protect and guide your child in this digital world.

An anonymous donor, Pi Day Party 2022

Anonymous donations toward the “books for moms” doorprize table

- I would love for moms also (or dads, but it's usually moms who come) to receive a doorprize.
- It may not be feasible to buy a book for every mom, but even if we could get 20-30 books, I could possibly find some smaller-priced items to put on the mom-prize-table too, so that all moms would get some kind of prize, and some would get a book.
- The books I'd like to buy (and we'd get them via abebooks or thriftbooks if possible, so we could get more) are:
 - Honey for a Child's Heart by Gladys Hunt
 - The Homeschool Journey by Susan & Michael Card
 - For the Children's Sake by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay
 - Mindset by Carol Dweck
 - Parenting by Paul David Tripp
 - Baby Minds by Acredolo and Goodwyn

- We expect about 60 total families to come, so “reaching for the stars” means We’d love to have 60 books.
- We would probably buy them at abebooks.com or thriftbooks. In this way, we could buy more, even if they are used.

If we have enough money to get even a few books, whatever books we get, we will affix this inside the front cover of the book:

To a home-educating parent,

I appreciate how seriously you are taking your responsibility to train up your children in the way they should go (Proverbs 22:6).

“I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, would give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the perception of your mind may be enlightened so you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the glorious riches of His inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of His power to us who believe, according to the working of His vast strength.”—Ephesians 1:17-19

From an anonymous donor, at the Pi Day Party in Bristol TN, 2022

VI. History of Pi Day Parties led by Alison Meredith:

- **What prompted me to start them,**
- **The journey we’ve experienced,**
- **Where we might go from here**