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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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Friendship Day

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The August flower of the month is the gladiolus.

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National Watermelon Day

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Watermelons are over 90% water.

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Standard watermelons are 20 to 30 lbs. and oblong shaped.

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Baby or bush watermelons are round and weigh 2-10 lbs.

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Early explorers used watermelons as canteens.

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The first recorded watermelon harvest was 5,000 years ago in Egypt.

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Watermelon is rich in Vitamins A and C and Lycopene.

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Hermiston watermelons are known nationwide.

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About 20 billion bushels of wheat are grown world wide each year.

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Loganberries are a cross between a blackberry and a raspberry.

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Boysenberries are a glossy, large, juicy berry related to the blackberry.

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Oregon is #1 for blackberries, loganberries, and black raspberries.

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The average American consumes 53 lbs. of bread annually.

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One bushel of wheat can produce 73 one-pound loaves of bread.

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More foods are made with wheat than any other cereal grain.

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Straw is hallow stalks of grain, such as wheat. It is often used for bedding.

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The modern combine can harvest more than 1,000 bushels per hour.

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Lemonade Day

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Lemons contain more sugar than strawberries.

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Wheat grows best in a dry climate.

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The center of the wheat kernel makes white flour.

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Whole kernels becomes wheat flour.

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Wheat belongs to the grass family.

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There are two types of wheat: winter wheat and spring wheat.

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Oregon State Fair 8/27-9/6

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Spring wheat is planted in spring and harvested late summer or early fall.

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New uses for wheat include biodegradable forks, spoons and plastics.

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Winter wheat is planted in the fall and harvested the next spring.

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Farmers receive about 5 cents from each loaf of bread sold.

✓ Check it out!

Online: *Yeast Blow Up & Microbe Observations* (Grades 4-8)

On the Shelf: *Wheat Kit* - Books, video, wheat samples, and hands-on activities (Grades K-3, 4-6)

Wheat

Wheat ranked #6 for Oregon agriculture in 2008 with a value over \$340 million. The leading counties for wheat production are Umatilla, Morrow, Sherman, Malheur and Wasco.

