



Welcome to BirdFest!

October 11-12, 2008 Schedule of Events

**BirdFest activities occur on Saturday and Sunday at three locations.
*Bluegrass occurs on Saturday only.***

Downtown Ridgefield: View Ridge Middle School, Public Boat Launch, Davis Park
Bluegrass Festival - various venues

Carty Unit and Cathlapotle Plankhouse

The Carty Unit is north of town. Allow half an hour to transit from Downtown to the Carty Unit.

River S Unit and Kiwa Trail

The River S Unit is south of town. Allow half an hour to transit from Downtown to the River S Unit entrance. Allow a good 45 minutes to get from Downtown or the Carty Unit to the Kiwa Trail. Kiwa Trail is half way around the driving loop on the River S Unit.

Shuttle Service—Saturday Only

Shuttle Service by **EcoShuttle**, is provided between different BirdFest venues on Saturday only. Parking for the shuttle is available at the Nazarene Church at 747 Pioneer Street. Shuttle stops are at the Nazarene Church, Corner of Pioneer and Main, Birders Market/Davis Park, Carty Unit and River S Unit. Look for "Shuttle stops here" signs

Suggested Clothing

For those participating in any of the walks, appropriate shoes are suggested and to dress for weather.

Special Tours - October 10, 11, 12

***Pre-Registration Required
Fees apply unless noted as free***

Registration begins September 1, 2008. See website for registration and fee information.

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FRIDAY EVENING

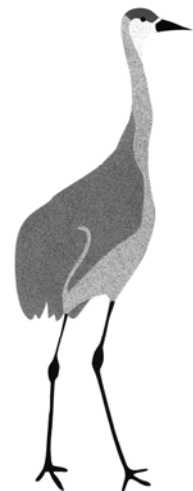
3:15-5:15	Owl Walk at Refuge by owl expert Mike Denny
4:30	Sandhill Crane Sunset Tour
5:30 - 7:00	Big Canoe Sunset Paddle
6:00	Night Walk on the Carty Unit (free)
6:15	Owl Talk by owl expert Mike Denny (free)

SATURDAY

6:00 am	Sandhill Crane Sunrise Tours
10:00-2:00	Guided Kayak Tour: Natural & Historical Sites
2:30-4:30	Owl Walk at Refuge by Owl expert Mike Denny
4:30	Sandhill Crane Sunset Tour

SUNDAY

6:00 am	Sandhill Crane Sunrise Tours
10:00-2:00	Guided Kayak Tour: Natural & Historical Sites
4:30	Sandhill Crane Sunset and Dinner Tour



Saturday, October 11

All Day Activities - (All Free!)

Downtown Ridgefield

9:00-5:00 Birder's Market Place - lots of vendors!
10:00-4:00 Children's Activities - Davis Park

Carty Unit - Cathlapotle Plankhouse

9:30-4:00 Children's Plankhouse Activities
1:00-3:00 Teen Geo Adventure

River S Unit - Bird Blind

10:00-4:00 Vancouver Audubon Staffed Spotting Scope

Scheduled Tours and Events

Downtown Ridgefield

Storytelling - Storytelling Tent - Children's Area - Davis Park: 11:30, 3:30
11:00 Photo Contest Awards Ceremony - Davis Park
1:00 Oregon Zoo Raptor Show - View Ridge Middle School
2:30-3:30 Oregon Zoo Raptor Display - Davis Park
5:30 Owl Talk by owl expert Mike Denny - View Ridge Middle School

River S Unit

FWS Guided Bus Tours - 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Carty Unit - Cathlapotle Plankhouse

9:00 Audubon Guided Bird Walk
10:00 Dennis Torresdal, Oregon Archeological Society - Flint Knapping and tool making
10:30 Audubon Guided Nature Walk—geared to families
11:00 Talk: "Archaeological Aquatic Explorations of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge's Lakes, Swamps, and Creeks" Dr. Cameron Smith, PSU
1-3 Guided walk by Dr. Cameron Smith to the Cathlapotle Village site.
1:30 Guided Native Plant Walk (approximately 1.5 hour walk)
3:00 Geology Walk: "Ice Age Floods on the Refuge" by Jim Maul
3:00 Audubon Guided Bird Walk



BirdFest & Bluegrass—October 11th 2008

Join us for a day of music, fun, and food in Old Town Ridgefield!

All music venues are within walking distance of each other and many BirdFest events. Bring your acoustic string instruments and join in - we'll have indoor and outdoor jamming locations!

Main Venues: Old Liberty Theater, Pickled Heron Gallery

****Purchase your \$10.00 commemorative Bluegrass button to enter all Bluegrass Events.**

Sunday, October 12

All Day Activities - (All Free!)

Downtown Ridgefield

10:00-4:00 Birder's Market Place - lots of vendors!
10:00-4:00 Children's Activities - Davis Park

Carty Unit - Cathlapotle Plankhouse

9:30-4:00 Children's Plankhouse Activities

River S Unit - Bird Blind

10:00-4:00 Vancouver Audubon Staffed Spotting Scope

Scheduled Tours and Events

Downtown Ridgefield

11:00 Class: Vancouver Audubon Beginning Bird Watching - Old Liberty Theater

12:00-4:00 Movie: "Winged Migration" - Old Liberty Theater

1:00-3:00 Oregon Zoo Raptor Display - Davis Park

Plus - Storytelling - Storytelling Tent - Davis Park: 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

River S Unit - Kiwa Trail

FWS Guided Bus Tours: 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

9:00 Audubon Guided Bird Walk

10:00 Kiwa Trail - Photography Walk

10:30 Audubon Guided Nature Walk—geared to families

3:00 Audubon Guided Bird Walk

Carty Unit - Cathlapotle Plankhouse

9:00 Talk: "Finding Cathlapotle" & "Chinookan Past and Present"
Ken Ames, Prof. of Archaeology at PSU, Anan Raymond, Archaeologist for FWS

10:00-12:00 Join Ken Ames & Anan Raymond on a guided walk to the Cathlapotle Village site

10:30 Audubon Guided Family Nature Walk

12:00 Talk: "Honoring our Ancestors", Sam Robinson, Vice-Chairman of the
Chinook Tribe

1:00 Blessing by Tribal Edler. Bob Tom, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Siletz

1-3:30 Autumn Salmon Bake – Get a Sample! *(or until salmon samples run out)*

2:00 Talk: "Native Arts: From Traditional to Contemporary", Pat Courtney Gold, Wasco
Nation and Fiber Artist

Children's Activities! - Saturday and Sunday

Davis Park

Davis Park will be "**OWL**" Central with many activities for everyone! Make an owl mask or puppet. Dissect an owl pellet. Owl origami. Owl jewelry. Test your "owl" skills. Play our "Who Knows Owls" game!

Cathlapotle Plankhouse

Children's activities here will introduce you to the lifestyle of Chinookan culture. Cattail Art: making toys and other cattail creations. Split cedar planks with a wedge and maul. Make a primitive fishing hook. Grind hazelnuts. Make cordage and use primitive drills.

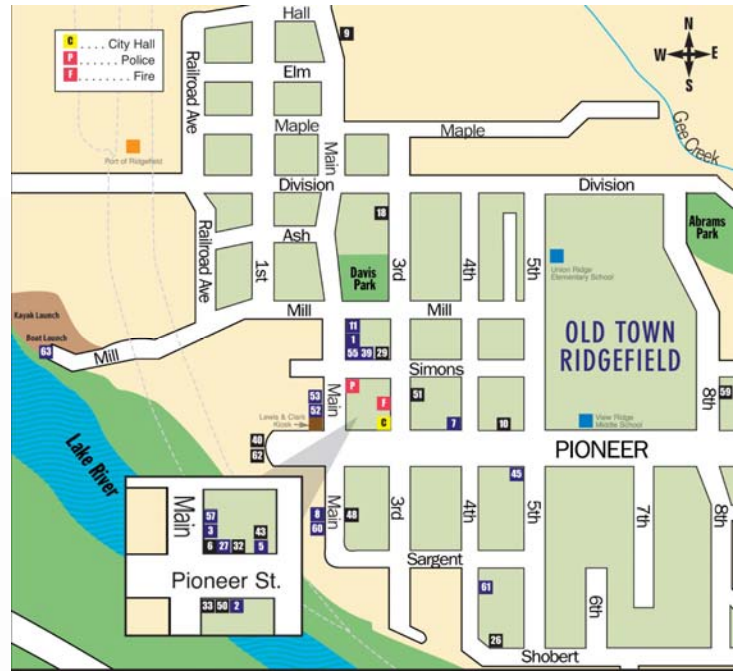
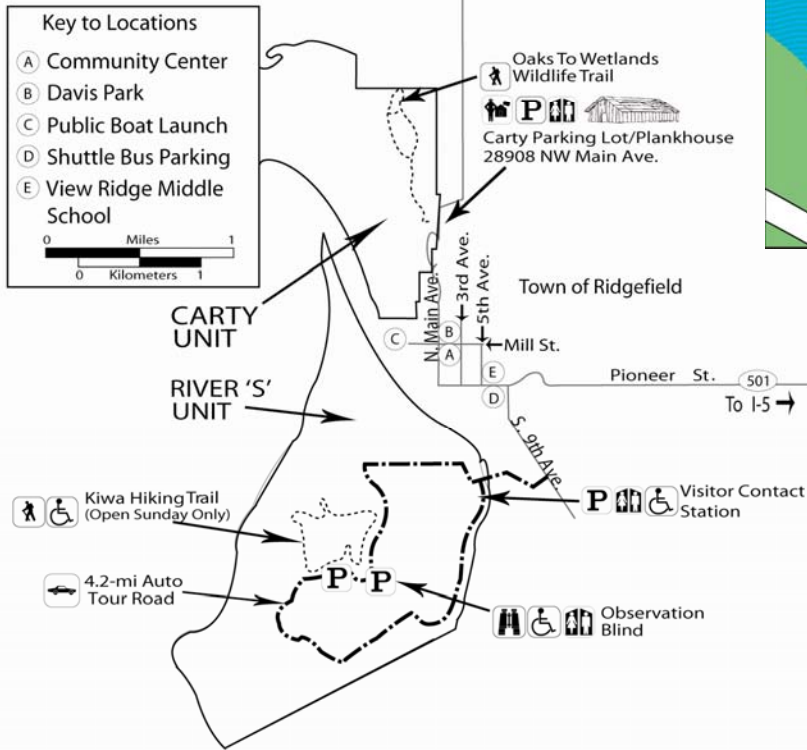
River S Unit

Play Bird Bingo as you travel around the River "S" Unit. Mark off birds you see—3 in a row wins a prize!

Locations of Events

Carty Unit: 290th & N. Main Ave
 Community Center: 210 N Main Ave
 Davis Park: 212 N Main Ave
 Kiwa Trail: River S Unit
 Public Boat Launch: 5 Mill St
 Pioneer Stree Café: 207 Pioneer St.
 Plankhouse: Carty Unit, over bridge
 View Ridge Middle School: 510 Pioneer St.

BirdFest 2008 - Location of Events



FOOD! - Food is available Saturday & Sunday at our local restaurants and Davis Park.

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