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Greetings from Lowell



Time sure flies by. With this issue we are starting the third year of my new Lowell Davis Collectors Newsletter. I now have over 150 of my collectors and friends signed up to receive my newsletter. If you are not on the list and would like to be or know of someone else who would like to receive this

newsletter, please send us an email to: lowelldaviscollectors@att.net.

In this issue we have our regular Red Oak II updates and an assortment of feature articles that I hope you will enjoy and find useful.

Thanks to all of you who submitted an entry in the first Lowell Davis Collectors Quiz. I did a random drawing of the correct entries and Jeff Bialobrzski is our first winner. **Congratulations Jeff!!** Please see the Collectors Quiz article for more details as well as a new quiz for you to enter.

Your comments and suggestions for future issues are greatly appreciated. Please email them to: lowelldaviscollectors@att.net.

Just a reminder that you can view and download all issues of this newsletter from my Red Oak II Missouri web site: www.redoakiimissouri.com.

You are always welcome at Red Oak II. I hope to see many of you this year.

Best wishes for 2009!

Your friend,

Lowell Davis

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Red Oak II Updates



There is always a lot going on at Red Oak II. Here are the happenings of the fourth quarter of 2008:

Thanksgiving and Christmas at Red Oak II

Thanksgiving and Christmas are always special times at Red Oak II. Lowell really enjoys spending these special times with his family and close friends. Lowell's granddaughter Reagan always steals the show. Lowell says "Who needs TV when we have Reagan to keep us entertained!"



Lowell's granddaughter Reagan

Lowell created a beautiful Elk painting for Rose's Christmas present which he framed with a handmade cedar frame produced by Red Oak II resident Jack Knudsen.



Lowell's Elk painting in handmade cedar frame

For Christmas Lowell received a bronze Moose by the famous wildlife artist Daniel Parker (www.parkerbronze.com) to put on the mantle beside his wildlife paintings.



Lowell with his Daniel Parker Moose bronze

He has already started on a Moose painting to go along with his bronze Moose.

Red Oak II Renovations Continue

Exterior renovations on the Elmira School House have been completed. She has a new roof and a beautiful new paint job as you can see in the following photo:

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Elmira School House, Red Oak II

In 2009, we will focus on renovation of the General Store and getting the Lowell Davis Art Gallery open. You should plan on visiting Red Oak II in 2009 to see all the improvements!

How much is that egg worth?

Lowell has a lot of the chickens, ducks, peacocks and geese at Red Oak II. He estimates he spends about \$150 a month to feed all his feathered friends.



Lowell feeding his feathered friends

For some reason which Lowell has yet to figure out, his chickens are not laying and he only gets an occasional egg.



"This eggs cost me \$35!" Lowell Davis

If you have any recommendations that Lowell might try, please send him an email at: lowelldavis@ecarthage.com.

Lowell's Oggie

Anyone who visits Red Oak II will undoubtedly meet Lowell's dog Oggie. Oggie is a very sociable dog and likes to make the rounds of Red Oak II regularly and is usually one of the first to welcome visitors to Red Oak II. On cold days though, his favorite place is to lie in front of Lowell's fireplace.



Oggie lying by Lowell's fireplace

He also loves to go for a ride with Lowell and when Lowell is not watching, he fantasizes that he is driving Emery.

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Oggie fantasizing about driving Emery
"Look ma, just one hand!"



Old Fashioned Buggy Ride

Red Oak II in Photos

Red Oak II resident Judy Knudsen would like to share some of her great photos with you:



Salem Church



Welcome to Red Oak II



Pick 'em up Truck



Red Oak II General Store



Just us Chickens

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Check out www.redoakiimissouri.com for more of Judy's photos as well as photos by Patty Shanks.

Grandpa's Ole Tom

The last (1997) Lowell Davis Farm Club piece was to have been "Grandpa's Ole Tom". The piece was at Border Fine Arts in Scotland for casting but it was cancelled and never released as the Farm Club dissolved. We know there is at least one artist's proof of this piece in existence.

The piece was to have been a cat using a coal bucket for a litter box.



"Grandpa's Ole Tom"
(97/98 Club Figurine)
97008

Grandpa's Ole Tom (never released)

As with all of Lowell's figurines, there is a story behind the scene depicted in the figurine which is included on a story card that accompanies each figurine. The story card that was to have gone with "Grandpa's Ole Tom" is as follows:



Lowell has wanted for some time to paint "Grandpa's Ole Tom" for his collectors and he finally did. Below is a scan of Lowell's beautiful oil painting.



"Grandpa's Ole Tom" © Lowell Davis 2008

Giclée prints (20" x 16" original size and 14" x 11") of this magnificent painting are available from our online store:

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Alternatively you can email your order to redoakiigeneralstore@att.net.

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2009 Lowell Davis Art Calendar

The 2007 and 2008 Lowell Davis Art Calendars have been very popular with Lowell's collectors so we are continuing the series for 2009. We have selected a new assortment of 12 of Lowell's magnificent oil paintings for inclusion in the 2009 calendar. Here is a list of the painting titles by month:

Month	Painting Title
January	Cold Wait
February	The Gleaners
March	Kansas City Southern
April	Spring Plowing
May	The People Watchers
June	Welcoming Party
July	A Dull Day at Red Oak
August	Oh Where is He Now?
September	Lost
October	The Tin Man
November	Monarch of the Western Slope (also on the cover)
December	The Newcomer

Here is a scan of the front and back covers:



If you would like to purchase a 2009 calendar, you can do so from our online store www.redoakiigeneralstore.com. Alternatively you can email your order to redoakiigeneralstore@att.net. We still

have a very limited number of copies of the 2007 and 2008 calendars available for purchase from our online store.

Pierre Davis Resurfaces

Pierre Davis resurfaced over Christmas 2008 with a new painting, "A Gift for You":



"A Gift for You" © Lowell Davis 2008

This painting was inspired by the cat in the Pierre Davis art drawing on page 6 of the 1966 Sex to Sixty book "I LIKE MOUNTAIN WIMMEN":



Giclée prints (14" x 11") of this painting are available from our online store: www.redoakiigeneralstore.com. Alternatively you can email your order to redoakiigeneralstore@att.net.

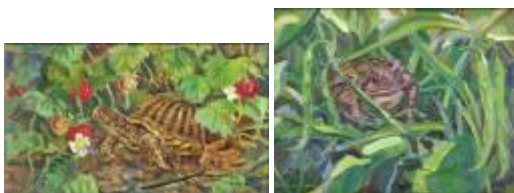
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New Giclée Prints

We continue to scan in additional Lowell Davis paintings so that we can produce Giclée prints for Lowell's collectors. In addition to "Grandpa's Ole Tom" and "A Gift for You", here are the paintings we are working on right now:



Strawberry Patch

Spotted Garden Toad



Nosey Neighbor



Haulin' Ass

image not available
Ain't Worth the Effort



The North 40



The Ole Massy Place

Lowell Davis Sculpture for the Town of Jasper MO - Update

The tractor and plow for Lowell's sculpture are ready for mounting on the stone base but he is still waiting for the farmer and dog to be cut out in steel.



Tractor and Plow for Lowell's Jasper MO sculpture with stone base in background

You can see this sculpture if you visit Jasper, Missouri. Just exit off I71 onto State Highway H and go West into Jasper. The sculpture will be on the South side of the road. Be sure to stop by Judy's Truck Stop where they serve Lowell's favorite fried chicken.

Art Storybooks

Lowell has begun working on assembling the art, paintings and figurines, that he has done based on Red Oak II to create an art story book that tells the story of Red Oak II. He wants this to be a very affordable book so that everyone can have one. We will keep you posted on his progress on this new book in future issues of this newsletter. Lowell is also continuing to work on his Dalton Gang art storybook.

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Lowell's Hooker

Lowell uses his farm animals and pets as subject matter of his art. Lowell's dog Hooker was used as subject for much of his early rural American art. Lowell says that he paid for much of the creation of Red Oak II using the income from the sale of art based on Hooker. Here are some of the figurines and plates with Hooker in them:



Home from Market 23601



Hooker at Mailbox with Presents 23550



From a Friend to a Friend 23602



Cutting the Family Christmas Tree 23555



Country Road 25030



The Critics 23600



His (The) Master's Dog 25244

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Feelin' His Oats 25275



Country Road (15th Anniversary Edition) 96842



City Slicker 25329



Hooker at Mailbox with Presents (Collectors Plate) 24100



Two in the Bush 25337



Cutting the Family Christmas Tree (Collectors Plate) 24105



A Tribute to Hooker 25340



The Critics (Collectors Plate) 24015

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Home from Market (Collectors Plate) 24016

When Lowell signs his art, he includes a paw print which is his *Tribute to Hooker*.

Tell Us about Your Favorite Lowell Davis Art Work

We love to hear about your favorite Lowell Davis art and what your first Lowell Davis art piece was and how it got you started collecting his art. Please send via email to: lowelldaviscollectors@att.net. Attach photos too.

Collectors Exchange

If you have Lowell Davis art or collectibles that you would like to swap, buy or sell, just email a detailed description of the item to: lowelldaviscollectors@att.net. We will list your items so that other interested collectors can contact you.

Wanted:

The Lowell Davis Art Gallery is looking for:

- Wildlife and farm bronzes
- Early original paintings

If you have any of these items for sale, please send us an email at lowelldaviscollectors@att.net stating which you have, condition and asking price.

For Sale:

No listings received for this issue.

Lowell Davis Collectors Quiz

Winner of Lowell Davis Collectors Quiz 2008 Q3-Q4

We would like to thank all of you who submitted an entry in the Lowell Davis Collectors Quiz 2008 Q3-Q4. We received three correct entries by the entry deadline, Lowell did a random drawing among those three correct entries and the winner is Jeff Bialobrzewski of Connecticut. Jeff's prize was his choice of any one 11" x 14" Lowell Davis Giclée on canvas (unframed) with free shipping from our on-line store. Jeff selected a Giclée of "Supper Time" for his prize.



"Supper Time" © Lowell Davis

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New Lowell Davis Collectors Quiz
2009 Q1

For the new 2009 Q1 Lowell Davis Collectors quiz, the winner will receive a set of 12 beautiful Lowell Davis lithographic prints with free shipping. You can see all of these lithographic prints in our on-line store:

www.redoakiigeneralstore.com. In case of a tie, there will be a random drawing from among all correct entries to select the winner. Lowell's website www.redoakiimissouri.com, past newsletters and his autobiography should be helpful in answering the quiz. To enter, send your answers to the following questions by email to lowelldaviscollectors@att.net. Entries must be received by 12:00 midnight US ET on March 31, 2009. The winner will be announced in the next issue of this newsletter.

- 1) List the names of Lowell's three wives and the names Lowell's children with each of them?
- 2) List five manufacturers that produced Lowell's art for him and the title of one specific piece of art that each of them produced for Lowell?
- 3) Why did Lowell name his motor home the Leapin' Lizard?
- 4) What was the name of Lowell's art teacher when he was in the 6th grade?
- 5) What Red Oak MO building that is now at Red Oak II did Lowell live in when he was growing up?

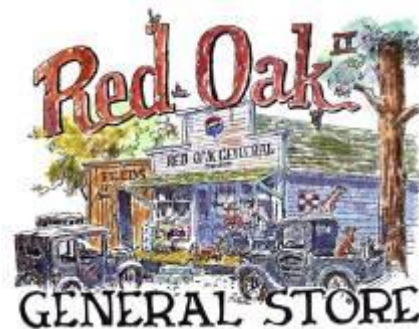
Good luck and have fun!

Contact Us

We really appreciate your suggestions for future articles for the Lowell Davis Collectors Newsletter. If you would like to submit an article, please feel free to email us one for consideration.

Hope to see you all at Red Oak II.

Larry Sernyk



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Red Oak II General Store:

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redoakiigeneralstore@att.net

Web Links:

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www.redoakiimissouri.com

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