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Greetings from Lowell



I want to welcome you to the first issue of Volume 2 of my new **Lowell Davis Collectors Newsletter**. We have compiled some great articles for you, my collectors, to enjoy.

The last quarter of 2007 was a very busy time for me. The biggest highlight was the publication on my new **Snow Folks** book. I had a book signing on November 20 to launch the book. Sales

have been very strong and we have sold out of the first printing and have just received a second printing. Be sure to check out the article on my book signing in this issue of this newsletter.

I am also making great progress on the art and storyline for my next book, **The Dalton Gang** – *up to their old antics again*. In my version of the Dalton Gang, the gang members are based on three wild and crazy Border Terriers that live at the Dalton Homestead at the south end of Red Oak II. I nicknamed them as the Dalton Gang after they drove off the pot bellied pigs that we used to have on the farm. They chased those pigs clear out of sight and we have not seen them since.

We appreciate comments/suggestions for future issues. 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.

I wish you and your families a very happy and prosperous 2008. I hope that many of you will visit Red Oak II this year.

| Your friend, |
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| 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 last quarter of 2007:

Maple Leaf Parade and Art Show

Carthage Missouri is known as America's Maple Leaf City and every October holds a week long Maple Leaf Festival. One of the highlights of the festival is the Maple Leaf Parade which in 2007 was held on Saturday, October 20. There were over 200 entries in the parade including one from Red Oak II advertising the art show at Red Oak II that afternoon.



Red Oak II float in the 2007 Carthage Maple Leaf Parade

It was a lot of fun decorating the float and participating in the parade. The art show at Red Oak II after the parade was very well attended and included renowned artists Bob Tommey and Richard Thompson as well as Lowell Davis.

December Ice Storm hits Red Oak II

2007 certainly has been a rough weather year for Red Oak II. After the major ice storm and snows of last winter, the late spring freeze and the wet conditions throughout the spring. summer and fall, SW Missouri was hit again on December 8 & 9 with another ice storm that moved in from Oklahoma. The ice accumulation with this storm was so great that entire trees split apart and came crashing down at Red Oak II and throughout SW Missouri. Red Oak II was without power for three days and even at Christmas there were still some places in SW Missouri that did not have their power back. Although this storm caused major damage and much inconvenience for SW Missouri residents, it provided some awesome images around Carthage Square and of the Jasper County Court House as in the following photos:





This cardinal also didn't seem to mind all the ice:



The Carthage Press did an excellent article on the weather of 2007 in the Carthage area. We put a copy of that article on our web site under **Red Oak II Articles** for you all to view.

Christmas at Red Oak II

Lowell and his family celebrated Christmas as they traditionally do with Lowell's wife Rose putting on a most excellent Christmas Eve dinner.



This was followed by the family gift exchange. Then on Christmas day after attending church in the morning, the

family all gathered at Lowell's daughter Wren's place for Christmas brunch and a second round of gift exchange. Lowell loves spending Christmas with his children and their many grandchildren.

A Christmas Treat

Christmas 2007 story by Lowell Davis

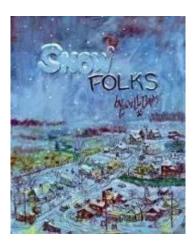
"On Christmas day as everyday, I did my chores looking after all of the farm animals that we have here at Red Oak II. We have a lot of chickens on the farm and today my chores involved cleaning out their pens and giving them all their Christmas dinner along with some water. I started with the main laying house in which I have only hens. Then I did the same for the pen where I keep

the roosters.
Going out the gate of the rooster pen, I grabbed a little banty rooster and as I walked past the main laying house, I opened the door and pitched him in with all the hens. As I did, I



wished him a Merry Christmas. That little banty rooster didn't waste any time opening his presents."

Snow Folks Book Signing



Lowell launched his new book, **Snow Folks**, at a book signing in the evening on November 20, 2007 at <u>Cherry's</u>
<u>Custom Framing</u> in Carthage Missouri. A number of Lowell's long time collectors and friends including renowned artists Andy Thomas and Bob Tommey stopped by to talk with Lowell about his new book and to purchase their personally signed copy.





A number of folks bought multiple copies of the book for Christmas gifts. This book is truly awesome! It is loaded from cover to cover with original art done by Lowell just for the book. Lowell also had copies of his previous two books, The Book on Chickens and there ain't no memories in First Class, available for purchase and signing. The Carthage Press did a full page feature article on Lowell's book signing which you can view on the Red Oak II website under Lowell Davis Articles.

If you still do not have your copy of the **Snow Folks** book, you can order from www.redoakiigeneralstore.com.

Lowell's wife Rose is handling sales and Lowell will sign your copy and include a personal greeting if you want him to.

Lowell Davis featured in Missouri Life Magazine

Lowell was featured in the December issue of Missouri Life Magazine. It is an excellent article and highlights Lowell's life, his art, his **Snow Folks** book and Red Oak II. We will post a copy of the article on the Red Oak II web site under **Lowell Davis Articles**.

The Dalton Gang – up to their old antics again



With **Snow Folks** published, Lowell has been concentrating his artistic talents on the art and storyline for his next book, **The Dalton Gang**, *up to their old antics again*. Here are two of the most recent paintings that he has completed for the book:





Lowell has always told stories with his art and he is finding that he really likes doing art for a story book as it gives him

a theme to work on in his paintings. He also likes that these art storybooks are a way to get his art out to a large number of his collectors and friends.

We will keep you all posted on the Dalton Gang book in future issues of this newsletter.

2008 Lowell Davis Art Calendar

Demand for the 2008 Lowell Davis Art Calendar has been strong and there are only a limited number left for purchase. The 2008 calendar incorporates





Lowell's paintings of wild and farm birds with a different painting featured each month. These are great for the home or office, nice as gifts and are sure to be highly sought after collector items. These calendars can be purchased from the Red Oak II General Store: www.redoakiigeneralstore.com.

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 in this newsletter so that other interested collectors can contact you. We will only serve to connect up collectors and take no responsibility for any transactions that may transpire.

We have received a request from a collector looking for the following item:

 Plum Tuckered Out limited edition signed print

We are also looking for Lowell Davis wildlife and farm bronzes and early original paintings for the Lowell Davis Art Gallery.

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.

Tell Us About Your Favorite Lowell Davis Art Work

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

Lowell Davis Videos on the Red Oak II Web Site

We are continually enhancing and adding new content to the Red Oak II web site: www.redoakiimissouri.com. Lowell provided a number of videos that had been done on him, his art and Red Oak II and we digitized these and posted them on the Red Oak II web site for you all to view.

Please Note: These videos require Apple QuickTime to view. A link is provided for you to download and install this on your computer at no cost. Also please note that these are very large files and require a high speed internet connection such as DSL, Cable or Satellite to view them.

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Contact Us

I hope you enjoy this latest issue of the new Lowell Davis Collectors Newsletter. Please send me any suggestions for future articles or if you want to submit an article for publication, please feel free to do so to.

Hope to see you all at Red Oak II sometime.

Larry Sernyk



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