

## Artist brightens lamps with stamps.

"If you ever wondered what to do with those stamps that have missing corners or are torn but not too badly damaged, consider what this enterprising fellow has come up with:

Postage stamps were created to stick to envelopes, post cards and packages, but artist Jim Prout prefers sticking stamps to lampshades.

Growing up in New Jersey, he said his dad planted the stamp seed early, but Prout put it aside for many years. Working in the mail room for a large company in Omaha reawakened his interest in stamps.

At a recently completed art exhibit by the Contemporary Artists of Southern Arizona held at the Community Performing Arts Center gallery in Green Valley, Prout's lamps were an immediate attention-getter.

He took a basic desk lamp, an end table lamp and a hanging lamp and turned plain, off-white lampshades into "stampshades."

The base of the end-table lamp is also bedecked in stamps and overall the lamp contains about 1,500 stamps, Prout said.

He did the "stampshade" in sections with each section done in a different color - blue, green, red-orange and purple - with stamps from Denmark, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Australia, France, Great Britain, Germany, Norway, Spain, Canada and Israel.

There was even a purple, three-cent, U.S. stamp from bygone days when postage was cheap.

An unusual art form, Prout said he used to do stained glass then decided to do Tiffany-style on lampshades using stamps.

Describing the time-consuming process of removing the adhesive from old stamps, after endlessly soaking tubs of stamps and drying them, he applies each stamp individually using archival glue.

When the glue is dry Prout coats the entire surface with polyurethane and the lamp looks professionally done.

More than lampshades he does pieces of framed Celtic art where each section contains the same stamps. The Celtic piece at the Performing Arts Center was done with 10 colors.

Full of stamp trivia, Prout said yellow is rare in stamps. Blue and red are most common."



### Welcome to 2010

Oh!! What can we expect in this faithful of years. Is this the year we find a black monolith orbiting Jupiter? Is the beginning of the end; not the end of the beginning?

If you go back through our pop culture history, anything is possible. Our animated movies are becoming so life like, we have to cut budgets and go back to people.

The technology boom has not gone unnoticed in the philatelic arena. 3D stamps have been around since Bhutan made the first attempts in the late 60s. Canada has dabbled with holograms on several occasions, including the Millenium Peace stamp and the latest offering for the Montreal Canadians (Go Habs).

Picture yourself on a stamp. Hey! we have been able to personalize stamps for at least 10 years now.

I guess what I am rambling too is that we are living in exciting times; watch your step, please.

Your Editor



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**Where in Manitoba is?**

**Name of Office:** Wood Bay

**Federal Electoral District:** Lisgar (Manitoba)

**Established** 1887-04-01      **Closed** 1975-10-31

**Wood Bay was a small hamlet located in the South Central / Pembina Escarpment between LaRiviere and Pilot Mound along Highway #3.**



**The hamlet was serviced by a grain elevator, store (post office), rural school, and railroad station. There is very little there now as the railline was pulled in 1980 and the railbed worked up from Wood Bay to Snowflake.**

**Snowflake was the first elevator I ever worked at starting in 1978. I also spent some time at Purves.**

**Postmaster Information:**

Name of Postmaster	Appointed	Vacated	Cause
Mrs. Mary Campbell	1887-04-01	1907-03-15	Resignation
Charles T. Masson	1907-07-01	1908-12-15	Resignation
W.H. Walsh	1909-02-15	1912-04-11	Resignation
John C. Watson	1912-06-01	1914-05-04	Resignation
Charles Masson	1914-06-18	1916-11-28	Resignation
F.J. Mayne	1917-03-15	1926-11-27	Resignation
Ernest H. Mayne	1926-11-29	1942-11-08	Death
Mrs. Charlotte Munro	1942-11-11	Acting -	
Mrs. Charlotte Munro	1943-01-22	1951-04-28	Resignation
Mrs. Alice Ferne Maxwell	1951-05-09	Acting -	
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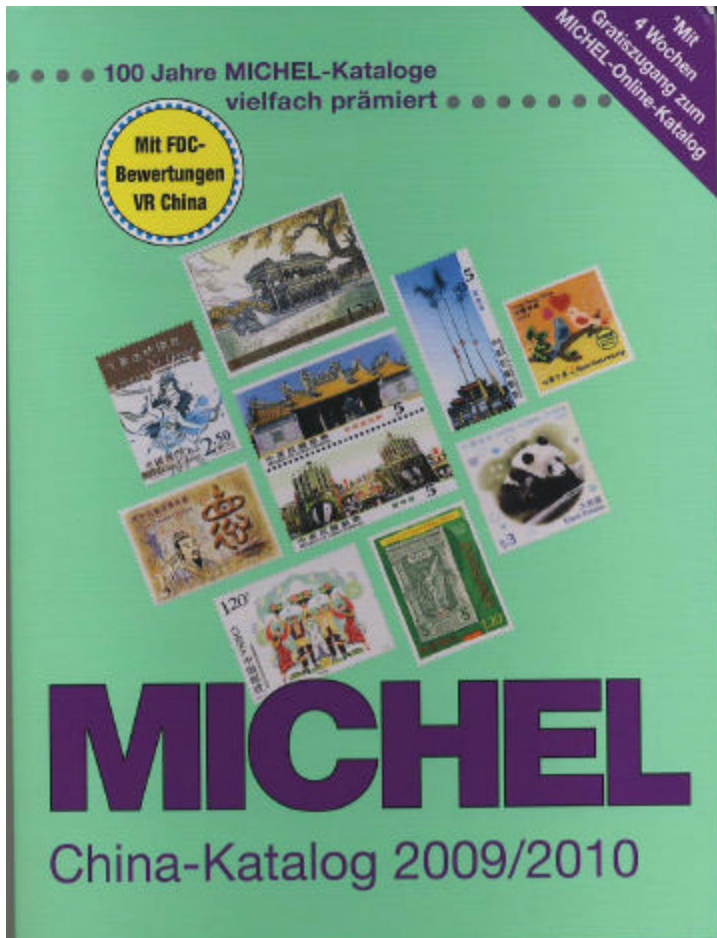
The Charity Auction raised \$1,340, the most we have ever had. We split the funds 5 ways this year. Three hundred dollars went to each of the same charities we have given to in the past. Union Gospel Mission, Osborne House and Siloam Mission. We also gave \$220 each to two animal shelters. D'Arcy's Arc, and Siamese Rescue no kill animal shelter. Thank you to everyone who participated by either putting items into the auction or by bidding on items. It is always a fun event and will certainly help both people and animals this year.



**Hong Kong to mark 'Year of the Tiger'**

The heroic tiger plays a leading role in the eleventh issue of the third Lunar New Year series issued by Hongkong Post. This set of 4 stamps illustrates 4 breeds of tigers in different postures - sprinting, patrolling, gazing and lounging.





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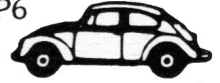
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