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Acting President Dr. K. R. Rao, Vice President was conducting the JPS meetings from June through October 2021 in the absence of President Colonel Eckhard Stuart who was at his summer cottage at Mancos, Colorado. Colonel Stuart was able to participate in the JPS monthly meetings via Zoom.

We are now able to have our “in-person” meetings at HTSM Community Hall, thanks to HTSM Board for permitting this, proviso all of the attendees follow the CDC guidelines to wear facemasks and maintain social distancing during the meeting.

Zoom meeting is facilitated to only outstation members and those unable to attend the monthly meeting due to unforeseen reasons. An email to the President should mention their inability to attend “in-person” at least three days prior to the meeting. President will then communicate the request to Zoom Coordinator to accommodate their request. On a regular basis outstation members Kalahasti and Meduri families of San Jose, CA and Vedala family who are normally on business trips on Saturdays will be attending by Zoom Meetings. JPS thanks Vijay Vedala and Lokanath Polepalli, HTSM board member for the technical set up.

Members in attendance during the September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were Lokanath Polepalli, Ugandhar Adari, Mahesh Adari, Karl Shoeck, John Colonias, Dr K.R.Rao, K. Indira Rao, Shashidhar Surakanti, Ratan Guduru, Manas Guduru, Jayant Mahajan, Felix Luis Perez -Folch Jr and guest member Richie. Members on zoom in attendance were Gayatri Meduri (California), Vijay Vedala, Meghana and Padmaja Vedala and Eckhard Stuart (Colorado)

The President called everyone to talk about exchanging duplicate stamps among the members of the club. Lokanath and Vijay came prepared with exchange envelopes. The President gave envelopes of 100 duplicate stamps of his collection to the Junior members, Mahesh and Manas present that day.

All members were given 15 minutes to review the auction tables, see pictures 2 and 3 to get a glimpse of the auction table. The guest member Richie was introduced. The two new members Terry Hubbmann and Perez Folch were voted in second time and were approved to be JPS members. Dr Colonias donated a shoe box of unsorted stamped envelopes for all members to help themselves, see picture 1 attached. Everyone took some and enjoyed their new collection. August monthly meeting minutes were approved.

Karl announced the bourse on the Gulf coast to be held on October 1 and 2, a semiannual stamp show with nine dealers. Karl bought Duck collection from a 60-year-old woman who died of COVID recently. The treasurer announced that he will not be at JPS monthly meetings till January 2022.

At 10:35 AM Shashidhar started his presentation of pre-independence India stamps – third in the series, see JPS Web site to get an idea of information presentation of the much sought-after Pre-Independence stamps of Feudatory and Princely Indian States. An India Map showing the states covered by Shashidhar in this mammoth 3-monthly India Stamp series presentation is attached.

Primarily Shashidhar presented stamps issued by the state of Rajasthan from 1935 to 1955 and were the most valuable because of rarity. Stamps were devoid of perforations. Rajasthan was the first state to issue passenger and entertainment stamps and revenue stamps in different denominations. Saurashtra stamps were in abundance and were not valuable. He concluded the presentation at 11 AM and will show his coin collection in the next JPS meeting in October.

The auction was conducted by Karl Schoek and the members participated with enthusiasm, see picture 4 for a view of the stamp auction “in action”, conducted by Karl with the help of Indira and Lokanath. Meeting was adjourned at 11.50 AM. Next meeting will be on October 16. 2021 at 10 AM.

Attachment as above.



1\_A Collection of Stamp Gifted by Dr Colonias to attending members



2\_October JPS Stamp Auctions



3\_Anoter view of Stamp Auction Items



4\_JPS Stamp Auction "in-Action"





5\_Map of India showing Princely and Feudatory State Stamps Covered by Shashidhar in his “Mammoth 3-Monthly Presentations”

## **Membership Dues**

If you have not paid your 2021 membership dues, please send your check made out to JPS to the JPS treasurer, P. O. Box 16792, Brandon, MS 39236-6792. Dues are \$ 5.- for individuals and \$ 10 for families.

**JPS Website** (<https://jacksonphilatelicsociety.org>)

JPS website has been considerably enlarged to have the following links: Current Members, JPS Forms, JPS Newsletter and Monthly Presentations. In addition to the JPS Mission Statement, Program Events Calendar, Venue Details, Map and Contact Persons (Office Bearers) are also listed at the JPS web site.

Thanks to Colonel Eckhard Stuart, Dr. KR Rao, Dr. Indira Rao and Web Master Vijay Vedala whose efforts are appreciated. All JPS members are invited to provide comments and inputs to make this JPS “dynamic” to reflect the aspirations of JPS as noted in the “Mission Statement” of the “Founders of JPS”.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Hindu Temple, 173 Vernon Jones Avenue, Brandon, MS. The program will be presented by Shashidhar Surakanti to cover India coins prior to independence. The princely state coin collection of India will include coins and currency notes.