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As I write this, I am already preparing and packing for my long trip to Colorado. Being on the road next Saturday, I'll miss our next meeting and also can't attend via Zoom. I always enjoy meeting and interacting with our fellow members and participate in our monthly auctions, but if - for, whatever reason - one cannot attend a meeting in person, Zoom is a great means to stay in touch with our fellow members. Vijay and Harini Vedala are doing a wonderful job in enabling us to take advantage of this communication tool.

I'll be back in Mississippi in October and until then, our vice president, Dr. K. R. Rao, will keep the society running.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Saturday, May 17 at 10:00 am at the Hindu Temple, 173 Vernon Jones Ave. in Brandon, MS. Due to a low attendance, we did not have the planned Question & Answer period at the last meeting. We have planned for it again this time. Please come forward with any question you might have about your philatelic interest and collection and / or any other philatelic related issue and we will try to answer your query.

News from the USPS

New stamps

The USPS is continuing its tsunami of new stamps. With 52 new stamps, this brings this year's total to 70 so far! Unfortunately, most of them cannot be bought individually and are only sold as sheets or in booklets, which makes it hard to keep your collection complete, without "breaking the bank".

March 24 forever Tulips

March 24 2 oz Sunflower Bouquet

April 8	forever	Shel Silverstein
April 22	forever	George Morrison (5 different stamps)
May 4	forever	Eugenie Clark
May 13	forever	Women's Rowing (2 different stamps)
May 23	forever	Mighty Mississippi River (10 different stamps)
June 14	forever	Katharine Graham
June 20	\$2	Floral Geometry
	\$ 5	Floral Geometry
July 15	forever	Mariachi (5 different stamps)
July 21	forever	Pete Seeger
August 5	forever	National Marine Sanctuaries (16 different stamps)
August 12	forever	Elephants
August 25	forever	Pony Cars (five different stamps)

New Postal rates

The USPS has proposed several rate increases to the Postal Regulatory Committee. The proposed price changes, if approved, will be effective July 10 and include:

<u>Product</u>	<u>Current Price</u>	<u>Proposed Price</u>
Letters (1 oz.)	58 cents	60 cents
Letters (metered 1 oz.)	53 cents	57 cents
Letters additional ounce(s)	20 cents	24 cents
Domestic Postcards	40 cents	44 cents
International Letter (1 oz.)	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.40

JACKSON PHILATELIC SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 23, 2022

The Jackson Philatelic Society of Mississippi met for its April monthly meeting at 10 AM in the HTSM community hall. This meeting was held one week late due to the Easter weekend.

Members in attendance: KR Rao, Eckhard Stuart, John Colonias, Ugandhar Adari, Arjun Adari, Karl Schoek, and Ratan Guduru. By Zoom: Harini Vedala (zoom master)

The meeting was called to order at 10 :15 AM. Several members were out of town and attendance was minimal. Eckhard presented the membership application from Ms. Blalock, an attorney from Liberty, MS for a second time review. Her membership was approved by the attendees.

KR said he suggests going public to raise the membership. John Colonias suggested going to Boys' scouts to increase the membership. In short, all members present were concerned about increasing the membership and make the club vibrant. There was no presentation scheduled. KR questioned if JPS can include an announcement in the APS magazine for which several are members.

The treasurer Karl Schoeck announced a balance of \$3,513.62 before deposits. And \$3,718.12 after deposit. There are deposits still pending to the tune of \$28.

Eckhard announced that people who did not pay their dues by March 31st were removed from the roster

Next six meetings will be conducted by KR Rao in the absence of Eckhard who will be leaving for Colorado. on May 17th.

The May meeting will be on May 21, 2022 at the same location.

Since there were not enough members present, the auction was cancelled and the meeting was adjourned at 11 AM.