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Acting President Dr. K. R. Rao, Vice President will be conducting the JPS meetings from June through October 2021 in the absence of President Colonel Eckhard Stuart who will be at his summer cottage at Mancos, Colorado. We are hoping that Colonel Stuart will be 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.

In attendance were KR Rao, , K. Indira Rao, Lokanath Polepalli, Jayant Mahajan, Vihaan Mahajan, Fred Price, John Colonias, Shashidhar Surakanti, Ratan Guduru, and Manas Guduru. **In Zoom were:** Harini Vedala, (zoom master), Eckhard Stuart, Ugandhar Adari

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 member Kalahasti and Meduri families of San Jose, CA; Madhu Dande, Louisville, Kentucky 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.

The treasurer Karl Schoek was absent due to sickness but informed on phone.

At 10:15 AM Jayant Mahajan started his presentation a series one of three. Title of the presentation -MERIT BATCHES FOR SCOUTS – Jayanth mentioned that thru stamp collection, Boy

Scouts can learn the citizenship in community, discover the world thru stamps, different categories like people, places, mountains, forests and monuments. Vihaan said he has two badges and will get Eagle scouts badge next year

Jayant covered topics on USPS System, how mail was delivered by horses, ship, bags of letters left in bags at taverns. In 1639 first mail delivery was established. Ben Franklin was the first postmaster general. Originally mailman was not paid by USPS but collected 2 cents from each letter delivered. In 1896 rural areas were delivered free at home, in 1963 zip codes were introduced; 1974 Self Adhesives stamps came into existence; 1992 self-adhesives became nationwide and in 2007 Forever stamps were introduced.

In 1838 trains started carrying the mail; camels moved the mail thru deserts; several modes of carrying mail included the pony express, dog sledges, hot air balloons; In 1918 Air mail delivery was established. Different countries followed their rules for example in US no living president is issued in a stamp.

Further presentation will continue in next two presentations.
Auction was brisk and all the items were sold.

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 Saturday July 16 at 10:00 am at the Hindu Temple, 173 Vernon Jones Avenue, Brandon, MS. The program will be presented by Lokanath Polepalli to cover “MEDICAL STAMPS”

For further details Look at the Calendar of Events at JPS Website
(<https://jacksonphilatelicsociety.org>).