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**MEMBER ATTENDEES:** KR Rao, K. Indira Rao, Lokanath Polepalli, Likhita Polepalli, Haritha Polepalli, Geetika Polepalli, Rohini Adari, Mahesh Adari, Jayant Mahajan, John Colonias, Karl Schoek

**In Zoom:** Vijay Vedala, (zoom master), Eckhard Stuart, Gayatri Meduri

**MAIN POINTS OF DISCUSSION:**

1. The meeting was called to order at 10 :00 AM at HTSM Community Hall, thanks to HTSM Board. Vice president Dr K.R Rao conducted the meeting in place of Eckhard Stuart.(President on leave)
2. Zoom meeting is facilitated to only outstation members and those unable to attend the monthly meeting due to unforeseen reasons.
3. In June Jayant Mahajan presented and in this July meeting Lokanath and Likhitha Polepalli made the presentation.
4. The presentation by Likhitha was applauded by KR Rao, especially the topic selected by Lokanath. KR mentioned that in his lifetime of stamp collecting since 1948 he never came across "Medical Stamps" and it never occurred to him as a "Topical Stamp Collecting" item. In the inventory of "Topical Stamps" it is a worthwhile topic often overlooked by even veteran stamp collectors. Hurrah Lokanath for selecting this very useful topic especially when this Planet Earth was confronted by the Pandemic since November 2019.
5. At 10:15 AM Lokanath Polepalli started his presentation on Title - MEDICINE THROUGH STAMPS. Lokanath introduced the topic and Likhitha made a great presentation. Lokanath said he prepared the different varieties that include history, innovations and technology of stamps.

Stamps were issued to honor John Hunter who performed medical surgery; red cross from India issued 2 stamps showing diseases. In honor of Dr. George Papanicolaou USA issued

a Pap Smear Test Stamp in 1978. Also, stamps were issued to recognize CT scan and yellow fever.

The Red cross Commission issued the mosquito stamps in several countries around the world.

First Medical stamp was issued in 1931 to honor Louis Pasteur.

Subsequently “hotchy” medical stamps were issued to recognize cholera, tuberculosis, modern medicine, and carbolic acid to reduce postsurgical infection by several countries

In 2015 Alzheimer stamp was issued to raise funds. Prosthetic stamp was issued in Hungary; also, Myoelectrical prosthetics stamps were later issued. Belgium has a stamp to acknowledge the prosthetics. Italy issued a stamp on Robotic-hand. In 2020 March, Iran issued the first COVID19 stamp; in November 2020, India released four stamps to honor the warriors of health.

The presentation slides will be posted on JPS web site:

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This was a very good presentation which ended at 10:40 AM.

6. Members reviewed the auction items followed by the auction itself. The auction went fairly well and several of the auction items were sold out. Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM
7. JPS website has been considerably enlarged to have the following links: (a) Current Members, (b) JPS Forms, (c) JPS Newsletter and (d) Monthly Presentations. In addition to the (e) JPS Mission Statement, (f) Program Events Calendar, (g) Venue Details, (h) Map and (i) Contact Persons (Office Bearers) are also listed at the JPS web site, <https://jacksonphilatelicociety.org>.
8. 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”.
9. **Next Meeting will on fourth Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM** at the Hindu Temple, 173 Vernon Jones Avenue, Brandon, MS. Ugandhar Adri will make presentation accompanied by Niha and Akhila Adari(s) on “Collection of Stamps”.
10. **For further details Look at the Calendar of Events at JPS Website**  
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