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**APS Chapter 631**

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The April meeting was called to order at 10 :00 AM on April 15, at Flynt Library Meeting Hall, Flowood Library. Colonel Eckhard Stuart, President JPS conducted the meeting.

Zoom meeting is normally facilitated to only outstation members and those unable to attend the monthly meeting. Gayatri Meduri (San Jose, CA) and Dr. Connors (Birmingham, AL) participated in the Zoom Meeting.

Members in attendance were KR Rao, K. Indira Rao, Vijay Vedala, Meghana Vedala, Eckhard Stuart, Lokanath Polepalli, Karl Schoeck, Stanely Stewart, Sumesh Arora, Mary Blalock, Katherine Gifford, Jayant Mahajan, Forest Bud Bratley, Holy Coleman, Jack Mckee, Rachana Puri, Sanika Janorkar, Amol Janorkar, Deepti Janorkar, Anuradha Janorkar and Vijay Janorkar.

#### **MAJOR POINTS OF DISCUSSION**

1. Jack Mckee a new member (senior member) introduced himself coming from Chattanooga. He was a stamp club member for several years.
2. March minutes were approved.
3. President Eckhard asked all members to review the new membership roster and requested for any corrections to send him by email. The updated roster is posted on the JPS Web site.
4. KR called three TV stations and was informed by them that the local community will not be interested in the stamp club. Clarion ledger is not a good place to advertise.
5. Eckhard will be on the road to Colorado on May 20<sup>th</sup> for his sabbatical leave till November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
6. From May to October the vice president Dr. KR Rao will conduct the JPS meetings.
7. All members are requested to check the JPS website. All information will be uploaded by Vijay after he receives instructions from Dr. K.R. Rao.
8. Next meeting will be on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. Eckhard announced that KR will chair the meetings in his absence for six months.

#### **JPS April Meeting Presentation**

Eckhard Stuart made the presentation on “sampling and collecting minerals.”

It was a show and tell presentation. Eckhard was interested in geology and minerals. The goal was not to buy minerals but go out and collect. In total he collected 650 varieties as against 2700 available. Most of the minerals are minute in size. He displayed sets of minerals of 1974 and 1976. He demonstrated with the aid of light how certain minerals change their color. It was a new field to explore and was interesting.

Once again to remind readers that the 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>.

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 will be on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM** at “Flynt Memorial Library, 10 Winners Circle, Flowood, MS 39032”. The presentation will be by Karl Schoeck. **He will be presenting again what he covered on March 18<sup>th</sup> on “1 Cent British Guyana Stamps”**, followed by a video presentation which was extremely interesting, but several members could not appreciate due to poor audibility. Dr. Rao procured suitable equipment to overcome this deficiency, hoping everyone would follow the experiences narrated in the video. Thus, this presentation is accommodated by Karl at the request of the members. **For further details look at the Calendar of Events at JPS Website, <https://jacksonphilatelicociety.org>.**