## **PREFACE**

The Fibonacci Association celebrates the 18th anniversary of its founding with the publication of this collection of manuscripts. These manuscripts, published here for the first time, reflect the research efforts of an international range of mathematicians.

The primary vehicle for publication of Fibonacci-related material is *The Fibonacci Quarterly*, the official journal of The Fibonacci Association. However, the volume of research being done on topics related to the Fibonacci sequence has increased each year to the extent that the *Quarterly* is hard pressed to accommodate the timely publication of all worthwhile scholarly manuscripts being submitted to the Fibonacci Association for publication consideration.

To expedite the dissemination of the growing volume of Fibonacci research information to the worldwide mathematics community, the Fibonacci Association's Board of Directors has authorized publication of supplemental volumes such as this 18th anniversary issue to be published, when appropriate, and made available for separate purchase by Fibonacci Association members and nonmembers.

The editors hope these supplemental publications will benefit both the authors of manuscripts, by earliest possible publication of their material, and the readers interested in the Fibonacci sequence, by making more material available throughout the year.

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