THE PAUL BRUCKMAN PRIZE

The Fibonacci Association is pleased to announce the establishment of the Paul Bruckman Prize program pursuant to which prizes of $1000 will be awarded for papers which develop a new approach or expand results in the area of generalized Fibonacci numbers and related areas of mathematics. Guidelines for topics which would qualify for submission can be obtained by email from: fibonacciassociation@gmail.com.

Two prizes will be awarded in each even-numbered year commencing with 2016. One prize will be awarded to a paper appearing in the last two years in the Fibonacci Quarterly. The second prize will be awarded to a paper presented at the Fibonacci Association biannual conference in the relevant year.

The prize is named in honor of Paul Bruckman who had a long and distinguished association with Fibonacci numbers as described in more detail in A Tribute to Paul S. Bruckman published in *The Fibonacci Quarterly*, **49.3** (2011), 281. The program is funded by a grant from George A. Hisert of Berkeley, California. George started his career as a mathematician, but for various reasons he then chose to become a lawyer. Upon his retirement from practicing law, he returned to mathematics with a particular interest in Fibonacci numbers. That interest was furthered through several interactions with Paul Bruckman. Three papers, authored by George, were published in the *JP Journal of Algebra, Number Theory and Applications*, Volumes 24, 28, and 31.

The two prizes will be awarded at the 19th International Conference on Fibonacci Numbers and their Applications scheduled to be held in the summer of 2020. Papers will be judged by a panel chosen from the Fibonacci Association's Board of Directors or its Editorial Board. In the event that there is no paper submitted which the panel considers as qualifying for a prize, no prize will be given in that category for that year.

The aim of the prize is to recognize researchers who are early in their careers. Special consideration will be given to papers where at least one of the co-authors is 40 or younger. Age will be determined as of the date a paper is submitted.