

<u>Preface</u>

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This issue comes at a time of heightened public interest in astronomy in the aftermath of the recent total solar eclipse that swept across the United States on August 21, 2017, drawing visitors from across the country and across the world. We acknowledge this with our cover, and with some reflections on the eclipse from one of the many who crossed a border to see it (Gordon Arthur). Perhaps this may develop into a more general public interest in space. We certainly intend to promote such an interest through our ongoing publication and academic activities.

It also features material we have covered more frequently, such as Recursive Distinctioning, Space Solar Power, Peace, and Space Abundance. We have returning authors, such as Louis Kauffman and Joel Isaacson, Mike Snead,



George Robinson, Kim Peart, and Madhu Thangavelu, in addition to new contributors, such as Barry Elsey and Amina Amarova, John Strickland, and Ayse Oren.

Contributors, please note that Chicago University Press has issued a new version of the Chicago Manual of Style, and we will move to Edition 17 in the next issue (most of the changes are minor). We continue to seek articles from new contributors, and we encourage those considering sending us submissions to e-mail BobKrone@aol.com for further details.

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