

## Foreword

The ninth volume of *Publications of the Medieval Association of the Midwest* contains articles that illustrate the breadth of interest of our colleagues in the Association. We have a large variety of interests covering Geoffrey of Monmouth, Christine de Pizan, Medieval Rhetoric, and Lady-in-Waiting Virtues. Moreover, the issue also contains articles on medieval art and religious themes. Readers will note that there is an intriguing book review to be found at the end of the issue. The ninth issue is edited by Mel Storm, who continues to give more than yeoman service to the Association. Mel has been a stalwart in keeping the publication going and improving its quality.

With the retirement of Karen Moranski, Mel will now share editorial duties with Kristen Figg, from Kent State University-Salem Campus. Kristen will join us in the same capacity that Karen had. She and Mel will alternate on editorial duties, with Mel having a strong role in production duties of every issue.

Please remember that editorial policy has been extended to include papers written by MAM members, even if the papers are not presented at MAM conferences or conjoint sessions. The Council has not, at this point, received enough papers to produce two volumes of *PMAM* a year. This subject will continue to be under consideration until the membership firmly states that one is enough. In order to reach our goal of a second volume, we must have a corresponding increase in the number of submissions so we can continue to produce only the highest quality work of our membership.

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