## **Editor's Note**

This volume of the *Haskins Society Journal* includes papers read at the 26th Annual Conference of the Charles Homer Haskins Society at Georgetown University in October 2008, papers read at earlier Haskins conferences, and individual paper submissions. The papers by Dominique Barthélemy and Robin Chapman Stacey were featured papers at the Haskins Conference, and Austin Mason's essay received the 2008 Bethell Prize, which was judged by Peter Coss of Cardiff University. Austin Mason's essay also forms part of a trio of thematically interrelated essays on the gains to be had by fuller incorporation of archaeological evidence and perspectives into the history of early medieval Britain. The *Haskins Society Journal* welcomes such collaborative and interdisciplinary initiatives. This is the regular volume for 2008, and the editor's first volume of the *Journal*. The editor would like to offer thanks to editor-emeritus Stephen Morillo for his help and wise counsel and to Caroline Palmer at Boydell & Brewer Ltd for her help and patience during the production of this volume.

The *Haskins Society Journal* is an international refereed journal, and its contents are not limited to papers read at the society's own conference or at the sessions which it sponsors elsewhere. Papers on all aspects of the history of England and its neighbors in the Early and Central Middle Ages are welcome from anyone. Authors intending to submit are asked to write for guidelines and style sheets: contact Dr. William North, Department of History, Carleton College, 1 North College Street, Northfield, MN 55057, USA; email: wnorth@carleton.edu. Information, including indexes and tables of contents from past issues of the *Journal*, is also available at the Haskins Society website at: www.haskins.cornell.edu.

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