Walter E. Kaegi

Cambridge University Press accepted for publication **Walter E. Kaegi**'s book manuscript, *Muslim Expansion and Byzantine Collapse in North Africa*. Kaegi published a chapter entitled "Confronting Islam: Emperors versus Caliphs, 641–c. 850)" as chapter 9 for *The Cambridge History of the Byzantine Empire*, edited by Jonathan Shepard (2008, pp. 365–94). He also published a joint article with Paul M. Cobb, "Heraclius, Shahrbarāz, and al-Ṭabarī," pp. 95–112 in *Al-Ṭabarī; A Medieval Muslim Historian and His Work*, edited by Hugh N. Kennedy, Studies in Late Antiquity and Early Islam 15 (Princeton: Darwin Press, 2008).

Kaegi delivered two papers: (1) January 9, 2009: "Reassessing Late Antique Warfare" in a panel on "New Approaches to the Political and Military History of the Greek, Roman, and Late Roman Worlds," sponsored by the American Philological Association Committee on Ancient History at the annual meeting of the American Philological Association in Philadelphia, PA (now published online at http://www.apaclassics.org/education/CAH/2009panel.html, or go to www.apaclassics.org and click on the rubric "New Approaches to the Political & Military History of the Greek, Roman, and Late Roman Worlds." (2) June 17, 2009: "Seventh-century Identities: A Reassessment," at the international congress Visions of Community: Ethnicity, Religion and Power in the Early Medieval West, Byzantium and the Islamic World, sponsored by the Akademie der Wissenschaften, in Vienna, Austria.

On April 3, 2009, Walter Kaegi chaired Session V: "Roman and Non-Roman Identity," at the Society for Late Antiquity's biennial conference Shifting Frontiers VIII: Shifting Cultural Frontiers in Late Antiquity, held at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

He completed an article of memories about a former director of the Oriental Institute: "Carl Hermann Kraeling: A Reminiscence," to be published in the forthcoming Norman Golb festschrift.

On September 27, 2008, as President, Kaegi represented the U.S. National Committee for Byzantine Studies (USNCBS) at the preliminary meeting in Athens, Greece, to plan the 2011 International Congress in Sofia, Bulgaria. He subsequently prepared and posted online the 2009 report of the U.S. National Committee for Byzantine Studies for the Association Internationale des Études Byzantines, Athens.

Kaegi engaged in professional travel to Egyptian archaeological sites, monasteries, and museums, March 6–21, 2009.

Kaegi also completed four book reviews.

Kaegi served as President of the University of Chicago Phi Beta Kappa Chapter 2008/09 and, on April 29, 2009, spoke at the memorial service for history Professor Richard Hellie. In September 2008 Kaegi made an interview for the University of Chicago that has been posted on YouTube and on the Oriental Institute blog: www.youtube.com/watch?v=h3-V9g8ybUo = oihistory.blogspot.com/2008/11/walter-kaegi-on-hyde-park.html.