

Hello to all of my Enigma World Code Group friends,

Please forgive me for my June, July, and August summer vacation from our monthly Newsletter, photograph, and quotation. When one is married to an educator, June's arrival signals the end of the school year. And with the end of the school year, cries of, "Let's get out of here and go somewhere, anywhere, and go fishing and golfing!" resound throughout the house. Fishing and golfing were very good this year.

I have continued to enroll new members into the Group. We average about 6-10 each month. Our crypto wizard, Bill Culkin, has given me a rough-draft copy of a new net: Short Weather Cypher. I will be working to bring this interesting new procedure online into our Kriegsmarine cypher bank.

Do you remember the promise I made to you many months ago to establish a U-boat fan club as an off-shoot of the EWCG? Well, I finally got off of my fanny and did something about it. I am an amateur radio operator with station call sign N7CLH. As many of you already know, I went to Germany and The Netherlands during March/April. With the help and kindness of many new German friends, I was able to visit U-boats and U-boat museums with a new Nikon D7100 camera with a variety of lenses, including a Nikon Nikkor AF-S Micro 60mm 1:2.8 for ultra close-ups. For the first time ever, as far as I can tell, a reasonably decent photographer (me) was able to take close-up, high-definition photographs of U-boat radio equipment. As soon as my wife, the computer expert in the family, figures-out a way to put these photographs with accompanying captions onto the web, I will do so, and announce the opening of our new Enigma/U-boat fan club. Then anyone may join and post anything U-boat: photographs, questions, stories, interesting facts. Because of space limitations, we may not be able to have our U-boat site in our EWCG Forum section. We may have to open a new website. I'll keep you posted.

Big things are a comin'! I can't wait to get started.

Your Enigma pal, Bruce