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Seabee Battalion FIVE (PAO)
Camp Adenir
DaNang East, Vietnam

SEABEE SUNDAY IN VIETNAM

DA NANG--The sun was shining brilliantly in the clear blue sky. Waves lapped gently at the sandy shore. The smell of charcoal grilled steaks and hot dogs permeated the air. Happy voices and laughter combined to form a medley of good fellowship.

This scene could have taken place almost anywhere in the world, perhaps close to your home or even in your backyard. It is a little surprising, however, to learn this outing occurred in Da Nang East, Vietnam.

The men of Navy Seabee Battalion FIVE proposed the cookout to show their appreciation to Seabee Chaplain S. L. Muccilli. The Chaplain was gracious enough to celebrate Catholic Mass for the men at Camp Adenir since October, 1966.

When the Sisters of the order of the Sacred Heart were invited to attend they were receptive to the idea and offered the beach adjacent to their hospital, orphanage and school buildings as a possible location for the picnic. The site was found suitable and Chaplain Muccilli was invited, but not told he was to be guest of honor.

When the big day arrived, Chaplain Muccilli was informed early in the festivities that the outing was given in his honor. He was surprised and pleased by the gesture. Commander E. J. Williams, Jr., Seabee Battalion FIVE's Commanding Officer, presented the Chaplain with an engraved desk pen set from the men of the Battalion. Also a gift of 16,000 piasters (about \$200) was presented to the Sacred Heart Orphanage and Hospital in the Chaplain's name.

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The Seabee enlisted men in attendance were fascinated by the songs, folkdances and games that the Vietnamese students tried to teach them. The men participated in numerous games, one of which was a Vietnamese version of the game American children call "blind man's bluff."

To the amusement of the entire gathering, one of the blindfolded participants located a dog that was in the area thinking it to be his opponent. Even a group of Marines patrolling in the area stopped briefly to share in the merrymment.

The afternoon's gaiety will be preserved for a long time for many of the Sisters and students, as one of the Seabees took numerous instant photographs and gave them to the guests.

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Enlisted men of Navy Seabee Battalion FIVE join in a Vietnamese game at a surprise outing given for Seabee Chaplain S. L. Muccilli. Highlights of the Sunday afternoon cookout included songs, folk dances, various games, and, of course, charcoal grilled steaks for everyone. The Vietnamese children pictured are students of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart High School.