

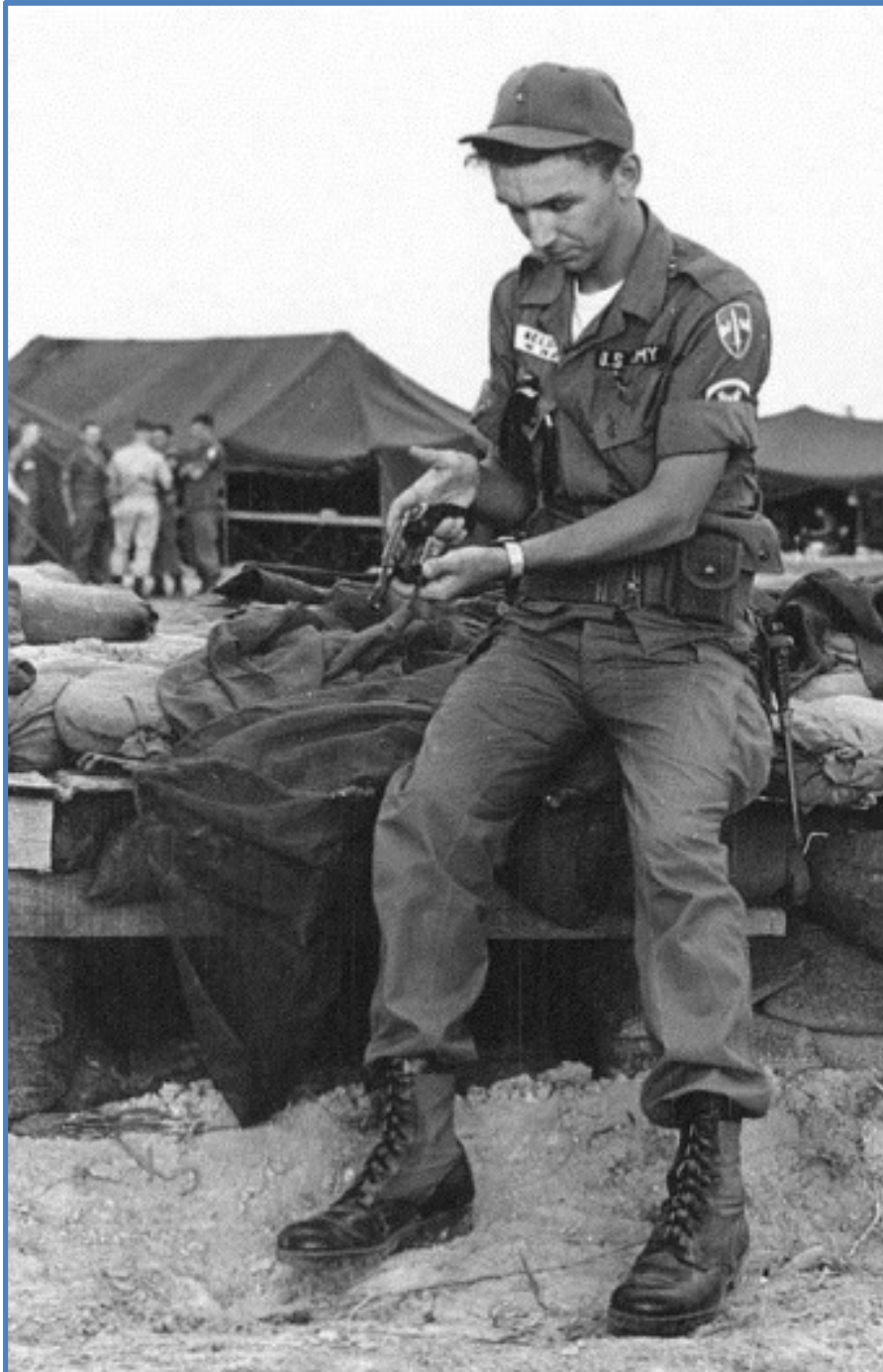
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Photos

Bob Nelson, SFC, USA
Newscaster, Saigon, 1965-66
News NCOIC, Saigon, 1972

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Bob Nelson in the 173rd Airborne Brigade compound in 1965. He wrote that "I must have felt secure because my rifle (carbine) is behind me."

A story related to this photo is below this slideshow.



SP5 Bob Nelson as an advisor on break during an operation in a rubber plantation in II Corps. Bob's weight, at 6'1", had dropped to approx 130 at that time... but what a tan!



SP5 Bill Altman, USA in January 1965.
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Bob visiting Saigon after moving to Adviser duty. He is standing outside the Ambassador BEQ--just across the street from the Brink BOQ and home of AFRS Saigon. Taken in 1965.

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Aerial shot of Headquarters, AFVN, Saigon
at #9 Hong Thap Tu.

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SP5 Robert J. "Bob" Nelson, USA at the typewriter.



The 1964/65 host of the "Dawnbuster" - SP5 Don Busser, USA. An extremely adept and quick thinking guy who set the pace for later Dawnbuster hosts, Don died in the early 70's while serving at AFN Stuttgart.



JO3 Franklin E. Vehorn, USN (1964-66)
[Note: Sometimes his last name is written "Verhorn"
but that error is due to his Southern accent.]

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Bob DeRogge in a "I'm living in the jungle" picture for 1965 home consumption. The palm tree was about five feet outside the main door to the AFRS studios in the Brinks BOQ

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Roy Neitman, A1C, USAF, News Director,
AFRS Saigon, 1964-65.
Possibly misidentified on the old Geocities
site as "USN"?

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1LT Sturges Dorrance III, USAF
Deputy Commander, AFRS Saigon, 1964-65.

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SP5 Ron Hesketh, USA sending out some
"Good Vibrations" to listeners.

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In 1964-65, Austin Cramer took over from the Dawnbuster Show at 0900.

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**MSgt John Rice, USAF
Admin NCOIC, Saigon, 1964-65**



The 1964-65 AFRS Radio links to the outside world. The teletypes were set, depending upon time and weather conditions to download AP/UPI/ARFTS. The tuner also allowed the ARFS newsmen to download feeds and actualities from several official and unofficial sources.



SSG Ernest T "Bill" Altman, USA and Roy Hewitt in amoment of news policy debate.



Families were a viable part of the listening audience in 1964/65... later in 1965 they were all returned to the United States. Kathy DeWeese was a newsreader.



Army broadcaster Bob DeRogge worked a regular radio shift and did production in 1965.



SFC Chuck Bexley, USA
Sports Director, Saigon 1964-65



The AFVN staff heads for the range and weapons qualification in 1972. The "Beat Goes On" jeep served a multitude of duties. The jeep was a unofficial addition to the AFVN "fleet". Bob Nelson is standing on left, JO2 Tim Huguenard, USN is driving.



At the range in 1972. The weather forecast had been for sunshine but the gallant broadcasters and engineers shot so many holes in the sky that it rained for three days straight (just kidding).



Sandbagging the Headquarters, 9 Hong Thap Tu, in 1972. Shown with the shovel is SFC Bob Nelson, NCOIC Broadcast Operations. On second thought - we're not sure who was sandbagging what at that time.

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AFVN Det 2, Da Nang, partway up Monkey Mountain.

The End