CHAPTER V
CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

A. Conclusions

Dayok Na Binatur is serving dishes made from chicken meat. Beside serve as a side dish this food has a very important function especially for Simalungun people. Dayok Na Binatur has an important role in the Simalungun culture not only in wedding ceremony, but in all Simalungun ceremonies. Dayok or chicken has a natural attitude consistent in time, willing to sacrifice and tolerant of others with crows awaken people to signify the start of the activities of life. Simalungun people choose rooster as the main ingredient of their traditional foods, because the rooster as a symbol of gallantry, strength, spirit, work hard, never give up, and dignity. In the ritual of Simalungun Batak wedding ceremony commonly use some signs form of object which has a meaning. The sign might be a symbol, index, and icon. One of the sign most interest to write is chicken or Dayok Na Binatur. Dayok Na Binatur used to apply as a symbolic from hula-hula and bride’s parent that deliver to a bride as expectation, as a blessings prayer, and as a petition.

This food usually given as thanksgiving to God for all that they have. When giving this food the giver saying: “Sai andohar ma songon paraturni Dayok Na Binatur on ma hagolohan pakkon pikiran nasiam (we hope your life like this Dayok Na Binatur on your mindset). In Simalungun culture, people who can give Dayok Na Binatur are people who are married. The first give Dayok Na Binatur is the groom’s parents to that couple, the bride’s parents to that couple and their
uncle to that couple. In wedding ceremony, chicken or *dayok na binatur* used to applied as a symbolic from hula-hula and bride’s parents that deliver to a bride as expectation, as a blessings prayer, and as a petition.

The reason for choosing chicken as Simalungun traditional food was related influenced by the natural resources surrounding and condition area or Simalungun geographic areas located in, which dominant is livestock and farming. Presentation *dayok nabinatur* intends to convey a message or admonished the people to be given food (*dayok na binatur*) is “Ase Lambin taratur tene ma pargoluhan haganupan songon paraturni Dayok na binatur on. (Hopefully our life as regular as this regular *dayok na binatur*)”. Social values in *dayok na binatur* are every people that receive this food, hopefully have a regular life or good life in their social life. Beside that *dayok na binatur* has some myth If you like cocks comb (*Barimbing*): have high rank and a great job, If you like head (*ulu*): smart guy but there are different opinions saying that if someone like chicken head, there are stubborn person, If you like wings (*habong*): nomads or traveler, If you like the claw (*kais-kais*): hardworking person, If you like the chest (*tonton*) or thigh (*hae-hae*), unpredictable person.

Besides the symbol of hope, *dayok na binatur* in adat ceremony is also a manifestation of better life dream. It is hoped that the bride and the grom may follow the way of chicken live or chicken characteristic in their environment. This kind of meaning expression is metaphorically implied in the way chicken live. Thus, the meaning of *dayok na binatur* in the ceremony is synonymous to the
function of the symbol that is to have precious life and happy in union ever and forever.

B. Suggestions

This paper writing is not completely portraying the whole elements of wedding ceremony of Simalungun Batak Ceremony. Dayok na binatur delivery in traditional ceremony is just one among many adat materials performed in the ceremony performance. Because of that, this study is not perfectly described in terms of traditional ceremony. However, this study is providing a picture of Simalungun Batak in Wedding Ceremony especially about the meaning of dayok na binatur. So, the sense of traditional ceremony in terms of dayok na binatur delivery may give insights to those who want to study further about this. To say simply, this study can be used as reference for further study of dayok na binatur in Simalungun Batak wedding ceremony.

Simalungun Batak wedding ceremony is usually a party of community among Batak. It strengthens togetherness and oneness as the way the chicken (dayok) live in their surroundings. It is indicating that human beings may learn about lives from other living creatures in this world. In doing so, the habit of looking deeply the things around us can be further studied scientifically for us to understand and share the science for our own benefit and integrity from now on till next in the future.