

## Gray Extends Season's Greetings

from Gerald Gray

On behalf of the entire Chemawa Staff, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere wishes for a happy, safe and restful holiday season. We commend your sons and daughters on the fine work that they

have done so far this year. We know that much of the credit goes to you for your continued support and concern in their educational endeavors while here at Chemawa.

We have made many changes this year. Our most significant

is the Community and Alcohol Intervention Program that was instituted at the beginning of the school year. We are making inroads in the crippling effect of alcohol and drug use by some students making all students and staff aware of the signs of these diseases, and ways all can take responsibility in making changes.

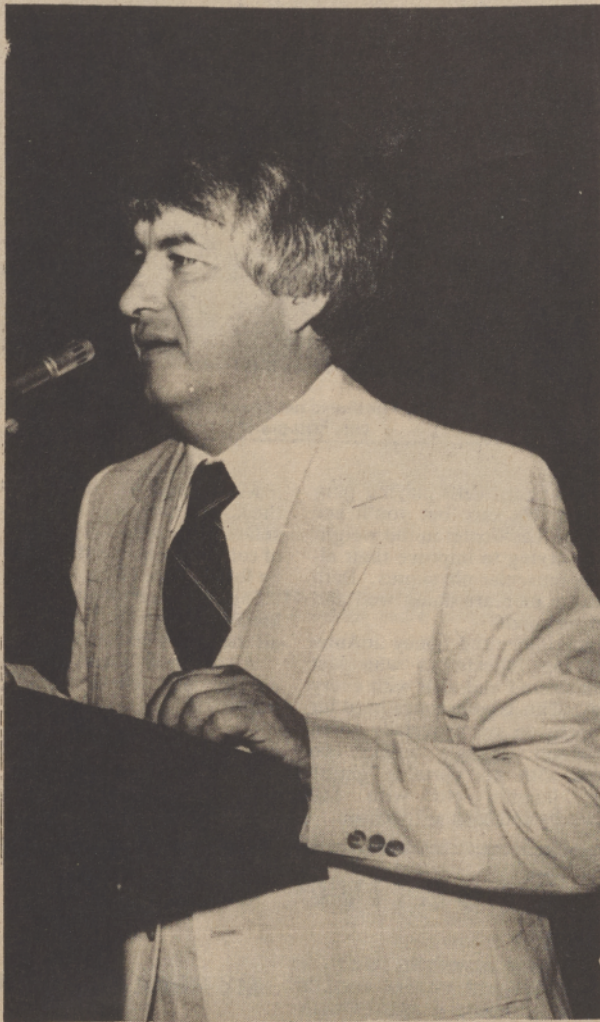
this group education process is not limited to the daily classroom reading and discussion of alcohol and drug abuse. Weekly students view movies and presentations dealing with chemical substance abuse, attend AA meetings, and drug information meetings. We cannot change when we are unaware.

his continual effort to make the Chemawa community aware of the debilitating effects of alcohol will lead, hopefully, to a drug free/alcohol free campus. This in turn will lead to students who are better able to make use of the many opportunities available to them while they are students. The end result will be productive young leaders who will return to their reservations and lead their people successfully into the 21st Century. The investment of such awareness will insure changes that will affect all of use of this generation, and those of the future.

Throughout the year we will be keeping you informed about this major program. It is important that you as parents, guardians, relatives and members of our young people's communities work with us in finding ways to attack this national epidemic.

Again, to each of you, I extend holiday greetings of cheer, hope, peace and wishes that 1984 will be a powerful year of growth.

—GERALD GRAY



Chemawa's very own Principal, Gerald Gray.

### "What's Your Most Memorable Time at Christmas?"

**Robert Allen:** Christmas Eve. **Monica WhiteDirt:** Giving presents to family.

**Faith Turtle:** Being with family. **Wayne Windels:** Being with family and friends.

**Ruth Fergusson:** Seeing everyone so happy and New Year's Eve.

**Judy Warbus:** Just being with family and friends.

**Charles Irving:** Sleeping under the Christmas tree.

**Mike Benally:** Getting my last present open.

**Schemel Lewis:** Everything!

**Warren Spencer:** Being with family.

**Janelle Thompson:** Being with family and friends.

**Charles Matte:** Christmas morning and knowing what the day means and brings.

**Rebecca David:** Having all the family together and having a good time.

**Teresa Jacobsson:** Being up to my neck in snow and seeing my mom.

**Maria Quincy:** The part where the whole family is together and happy.

**Jesus Senter:** Having no school.

**Darrell RunningRabbit:** Family and friends.

**Mike YellowRobe:** Being with family.

**David Hosie:** Being able to watch the snow fall from inside.

**Daniel Hotch:** No school. Opening all the presents I have received and seeing snow piled up to my head.

**Robert Soolook:** Being with family and friends, seeing snow come down and presents.

**Cookie Paul:** Seeing Santa Clause trying to fit down our chimney.

**Joe Warde:** Christmas is a time for friends and family to gather to express feelings, job and wonderment of the things to come.

**Leloni Colegrove:** Being with family and friends during a sunny California Christmas.

**Teresa Swimmer:** Spending the time I have with family and friends.

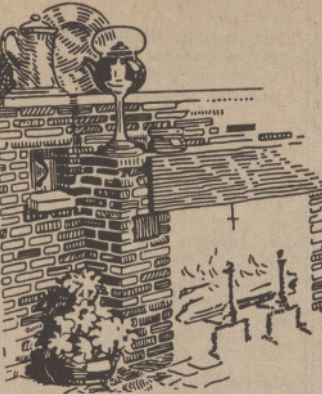
**Emerson Stiffarm:** Being with my family.

**Elroy Stearns:** Being home with my parents and friends.

**Thelma Bergman:** Going home and cruisin around and opening presents.

**Charlotte Bergman:** Going home to my family and cruisin around.

The logs are lighted, and the large fireplace glows. Casting flickering shadows dancing outwardly through a window. Like ballet dancers on the newly fallen snow.



Aluminum tinsel adorns a verily Christmas tree to the delight of children who view it and has more on it than a quick glance can see.

Counterpart to this lovely arrangement and a short distance from a frost covered window, a huge fir tree dominates the terrain.

Covered with snow and icicles that hang in an array of sizes and lengths, growing into beautiful stalagmites from intermittent frozen rain.

From this tree, the bows with pine needles dip and sway with the wind in a manner not far ahead of the ringing sleigh ahead.



The snow and ice make way for pine cones which plummet carelessly to the snow below and bury slightly in a crazy quiet pattern along with others on ice which are picked up by the wind and skip along in irregular ways as though an unseen hand was moving them with a whip.

Nature continues this game as the sun does rise, and to the astonishment of delighted children who dream and know Christmas Eve is near this, they, without a doubt, do realize Christmas Eve is very near.

### "CHRISTMAS IS EVERYWHERE"

By Robert Weeden

The hungry sparrows, and their mate, search for a crumb outside, hoping that the weather will remain clear.

And do not flicker a wing at the sight of the nearness of a very young deer.

Smoke rises in a black ebbing array from the fireplace inside. As children on skates and sleds do enjoy, on a slope, their individual ride.

The day now passes into night. It is now Christmas Eve, and to the delight of people everywhere to alternate what they will, to wish all well, good tidings, and a Happy New Year.

As they speak, not in one, but rather many languages this night.

Somewhere, and to be seen by all, softly, quietly and deeply in the distance, sleigh bells tinkling; as the sleigh is pulled by eight tiny reindeer. . . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

### Christmas Poll

By LaVelle Walker

When asked about their favorite Christmas things, students shared the following.

**Jamie Cochran:** Presents, snow and being with my family.

**Jackie Geboe:** Jr. wrapped in a big red bow and being with my family.

**Hope RunningWolf:** Presents, family togetherness and seeing the Christmas spirit.

**Loren Louis:** Candy, presents and Christmas cards.

**Todd George:** Girls, Girls and Girls.

**Eric Oyler:** Girls, money and presents.

**Pat St. Marks:** Presents, Christmas dinner and family togetherness.

**Sean McConville:** Girls, money and presents.

**Russ Markistum:** Falling snow, friends and family togetherness.

**Harold Paul:** Munchies, a hacky sack and presents.

**Tami Jacobs:** Sharing, being home and LAYTON....

**Cheri Larvie:** Presents, dinner and togetherness.

**Vincent Bryan:** Skiing, candy and getting out of school.

**Lenard RedCloud:** Candy and going home.

**James Harrison:** Mistletoe, presents and parties.

**Lacy Lutan:** Presents, the white snow and family parties.

## Christmas and Top 40 Song Dedications

By Jeanine Wright

### Dedicated To:

Delores Daguqua  
Cheerleaders  
Tubby  
Carl C.A.  
Jean

To All Students At  
Chemawa Institue  
Charolette B.  
Sheila & Emerson  
Sean Everett  
Molly Woods

Marcia Wadsworth  
Big Darrell PiaPot

The girl in Unit 9  
Polly Peasley  
Lisa Benoist

Casey Fitzpatrick  
DENise DeMarries  
& Mike Wesley

Casey Fitzpatrick  
Randy Tom  
Shemel Lewis &  
Sherrie Saunders

Dave Barrera  
Monica WhiteDirt  
BEtty Joe

Melissa Doney  
Fort Hall Girls

### Song:

Silent Night  
O Come All Ye Faithful  
Frosty the Snowman  
Jingle Bells  
Jingle Bell Rock

Wish You a Merry Christmas  
Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer  
Frosty the Snowman  
Little Drummer Boy  
I Saw Mommy Kissing  
Santa Claus

Mental Health  
Fever  
Cum on Feel the Noise  
Last Dance  
Everybody Wants You  
Only Time Can Tell

Try Again  
Just Between You and Me  
Total Eclipse of the Heart

All Night Long  
Unforgettable Dream  
Love Is a Battlefield  
Chucky's In Love  
Just Between the Two of Us  
Bad Girls

### From:

Tony  
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Snoogie  
P. Crow  
Marcia

Jamie Cochran  
Rudolph  
A Unit 6'er  
Sheila

Lisa (Miss Piggy)  
Wilbur

Justine Lowery  
Dawna Escalante  
Lance Friedlander  
Loren Louie  
Michelle Running Wolf  
Corrine ChiefStick

Kathy Danon & Cheri Huff  
Corrine ChiefStick  
Gazella Kallum

Cheri Larvie  
Vesta DeMarries  
James Harrison  
Charles Irving  
Wayne Windells  
Paula Ethel Jimmie

## Ed John Commends Students and Staff

### CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

I would like to extend my sincere best wishes to each and every student and staff member during this holiday season, and continue successes in the New Year.

We are proud of the gains our students have made so far this year. More students are in class

behavior are improving. We feel strongly that students are putting more time into their academic studies. There seems to be more consistent commitment on the part of students to work harder. More homework is being assigned which seems to have a positive effect on the grades.

There more students studying in the evenings and doing their homework which shows a greater interest in academic studies. The attendance record shows a great improvement over last year.

There also seems to be developing respect for the campus as more and more students are working to keep it looking clean.

Our faculty members are working hard to make more and more opportunities available to the students. We see more students spending time after hours to get caught up on work.

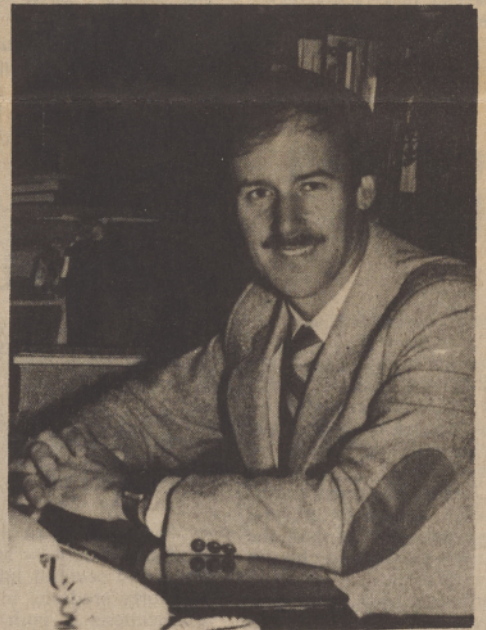
We have instituted a merit system that rewards the students' positive behavior. Stu-

All these areas point to a successful school year

I hope that students will rest

up during this vacation and return safely January 2, 1984, ready for a new year.

Again, I wish each and everyone a bright Christmas season and a New Year of continued growth.



—Open letter from Ed John, Vice-principal, Academic

## Season's Greetings



## New Year's Resolutions

By Antonio Bitner

**Alice Mahle, 10th, Athabaskan:** My New Year's Resolution is to get straight A's in school and to have a better outlook on everything by keeping a positive attitude.

**Wayne Windels, 10th, Gros-Ventre:** My New Year's Resolutions are to achieve the goals I set for myself and try to be a better person than I am.

**Mike Johnson, 11th, Tingket:** My New Year's Resolution is to stay away from smoking and to stay with one girl all year. . . Teresa Strong.

**Mary Bob, 10th, Lummi:** My New Year's Resolution is to get straight A's and succeed in school, participate in most of the school activities.

**Ms. Manion, P.E. Teacher:** My New Year's Resolution is to change my name to Miss Thrope.

**Mr. Meier, Teacher:** My New Year's Resolution is to keep from making fun of Jewish people for the 1984 "Arlene"; not to swing on Mr. Lamb's handlebar mustache, not to harass Mr. Ed John more than three times a day, and not to pick on Ms. Kitagawa on Pearl Harbor Day.

**Mr. Bighorn, Teacher, Sioux:** My New Year's Resolution is to correct all papers and get them back to students within a respectful time, and to do everything possible to generate good strong feelings of respect and understanding among all staff.

**Chemawa American Staff wishes each of rest, fun and Christmas joy all year long**