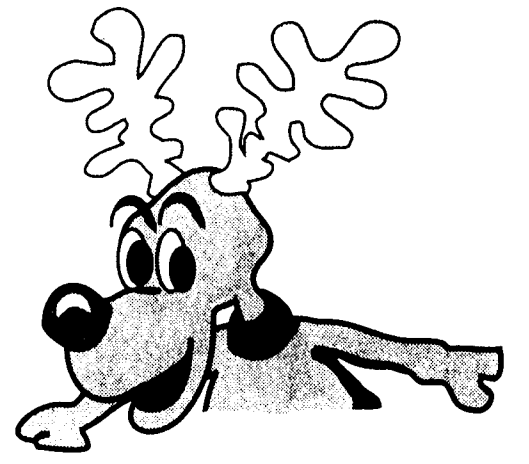
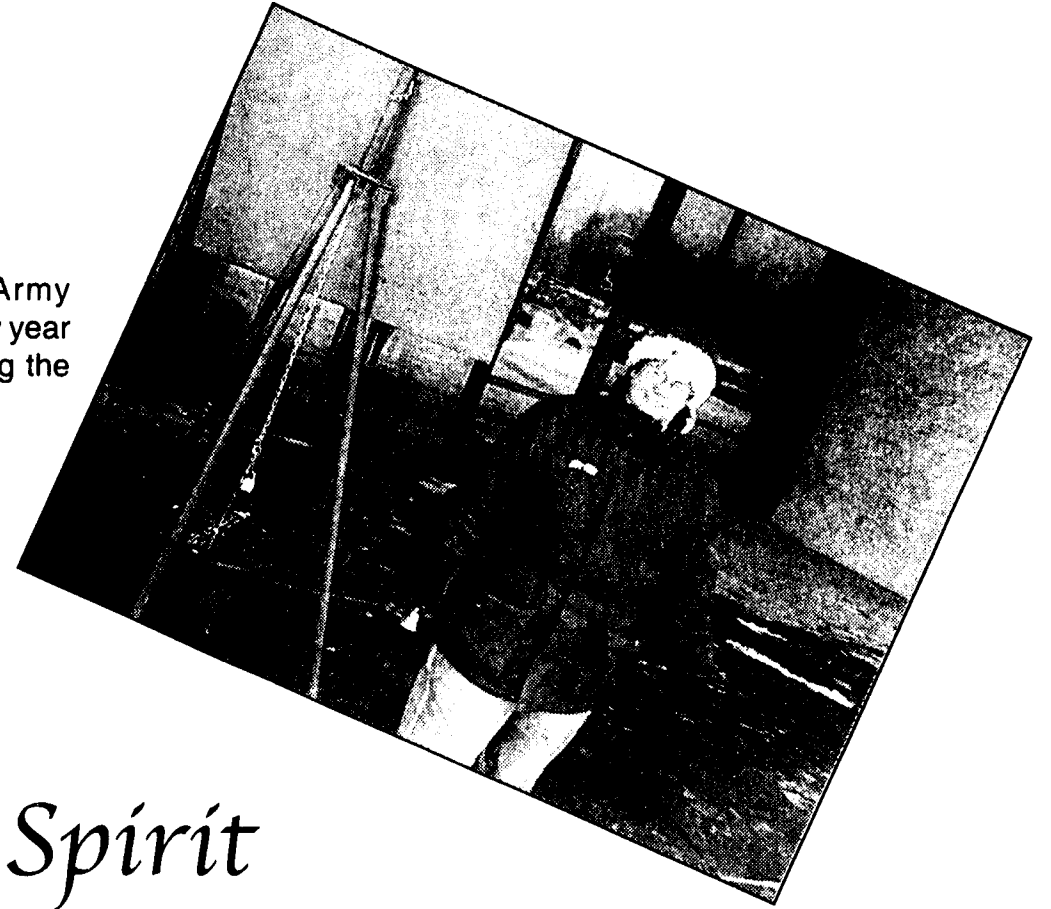


HAPPY HOLIDAYS



The *Beacon* staff visits Diehl Elementary school to help their sixth grade class learn more about the newspaper and to participate in a x-mas party. (left)



The Salvation Army raises money every year for the needy during the holidays. (right)



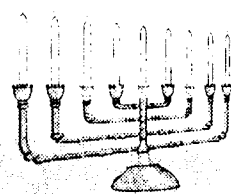
The Holiday Spirit



Every year at this time many children around the world idealistically make their Christmas wishes. This girl gets to tell Santa hers.

Often in today's fast paced world, we sometimes forget what the holidays are all about. To paraphrase a great author, "it's not about ribbons, it's not about tags, it's not about packages, boxes, or bags. The holidays are about something much much more." It's more about being kind and caring for others. It's about being with friends and family and doing something nice for someone who hasn't had something nice done for them in quite a while--the giving of your time and not just opening your pocketbook. We all should think how we can do something nice for another person.

These photos are to help illustrate that warm feeling some people get inside when they think of the holiday season. They range from community service to decorating, helping the needy, and just the spirit of the holidays in general.



The mall is packed with people buying gifts and decorations. This undoubtedly gets everyone in the holiday spirit.



Blitzen and Donner have fun whipping snowballs at each other. I think Donner is winning.



Behrend students line up to donate money in exchange for some pizza.

