A SEASONAL PUZZLE

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Noted puzzlist Dick Hess supplied this poser to friends as a holiday message. Can you solve it? The answer will appear in February.

PUZZLE GREETING
(Each group of words produces a letter)

1. BRIDGE SIOUX KHAKI STOICALLY GUITAR DEBRIS SOFTEN
2. TERRET NOON TUT-TUT SHAHS OTTO KOOK ERE
3. SCRIP GRIPPE CHiMER MAXI
4. PLUMP CROPPER ROUST SCREAM REED
5. MU STEROID TRIPPING ROUGH
6. INCESTUOUS BEHEST WILDEBEEST SESTET INTESTATE
7. CLOD CHAIR DANCE MARLING BASSO
8. SHORE TEAM BOSS BROWS TANGLEMENT HENRY
9. DECEMBER CANDELABRA LAMB RHUBARB CONFETTI
10. SCRAPPY VACUUM CUDDLE ODD RADII INNATE BUGGY
11. ELAN SEASCAPE EAU-DE-Cologne ARCADE ENTERTAIN
12. YEARLY UPLIFTING LOVELY EGGNOG TIMELY IDYLLIC DEVOTION ENERGIZE
13. STAVES STAID VESTAS ESTATE GSTAAD SIESTAS

HAPPY PUZZLING FROM DICK HESS
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