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Happy Holidays!

It's December again, and that means buying goodies for family and friends. I like to shop at the area craft festivals to find one-of-a-kind, handmade items for the people on my Christmas shopping list.

Of course, I'm always on the lookout for polymer clay items, which I found in spades at some local craft festivals.

A very popular item this year is the personalized Christmas ornament: a tree with Christmas balls, a fireplace with stockings, Santas or snowmen holding a list, all waiting to have your name written on them. Very cute stuff.

I didn't see many Hanukkah items, which is too bad, since Hanukkah is eight days of celebration and gift-giving. The blues and whites of Hanukkah would be especially lovely in the metallic colors of polymer clay now available.

Anyhow, I really had a good time walking around, looking at the holiday decorations, and feeling really lucky that I am alive, healthy, and with my family.

I wish you all a very warm holiday season, filled with plenty to eat and surrounded by good friends and family.

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