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it's about being done.

It's November - and you know what that means!

OK, maybe you don't. After all, psychics are pretty rare these days, so I'll just let the cat out of the bag.

For me November marks the beginning of "holy cow, I have a New Year's resolution that hasn't been done yet".

I promised myself I wouldn't get wrapped up in this recession in 2011. I promised you this community wouldn't fade to nothing - and darn it, I'm going to do just exactly that, November or not!

Of course, I'm not the only one feeling that November Guilt. Surely you have unmet resolutions too, and it's a pretty safe bet that resolution had something to do with money.

...am I psychic or what?

Frugally Festive

Being creative isn't just about building or crafting. Sometimes we have to get creative with our money too, and there's no better time than the most expensive last two months of the year.

Each month I put together a few tips, tricks and techniques to tantalize your creativity in the Topic of the Month. This time around I'm going to help you expand your creative horizons so even your bank account is thanking you in the season's festivities.

You can still have a grand affair on a tight budget - it just takes excellent planning and even better strategy. From creative shopping to outside-of-the-box cooking and crafty decorating, we've got you covered this holiday season.

Although the focus is primarily Thanksgiving, we will also look ahead to those gift-giving days you know so well in December with gift-y crafts to start now before your wallet takes a wallop in The Black Friday Crunch.

First Bold Step

Although you probably had no idea, today - November 8th - is Cook Something Bold Day, so there's no time to procrastinate!

<http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/November/cooksomethingboldday.htm>

Give your home the smell of the season with some fresh pumpkin pie - or maybe you like something a little more like “grandma used to make”.

Whatever you prefer, here's a few great resources to get you started:

36 Yummy Pumpkin Recipes

<http://www.bhg.com/holidays/thanksgiving/recipes/pumpkin-recipes/>

124 Cinnamon Apple Recipes

<http://www.cooksunited.co.uk/rs/s0/apple+cinnamon/recipes.html>

8 Cranberry Recipes

<http://whatscookingamerica.net/Cranberries.htm>

60 More Cranberry Ideas

<http://www.capeblancocranberries.com/recipes/recipes3.php?prdid=1>

Fall Comfort Food Recipes

http://recipes.kaboose.com/holidays/fall_recipes.html

Top 20 Fall Recipes

<http://allrecipes.com/recipes/everyday-cooking/seasonal/fall/top.aspx>

Tell us about your festive scent creation in the forums - I can't wait to hear all about it and welcome you back upon taking your First Bold Step. See you there!

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