# **Events**

**Tree Lighting** 

**Dec 1 |** 5:30-7:00 PM Lytton Plaza Enjoy live music, bell ringers, carols, and winter treats.

#### **Holiday Decorating Contest**

Dec 18-22 | All Day Decorate the exterior of your home to compete in the Holiday Decorating Contest! Judging from Dec 18-22.

#### **Button-Making Pop-Up**

Dec 21 | 3:00-4:00 PM Mitchell Park Library, Teen Zone Use old manga and comics to make a unique design or create your own from scratch.

#### Final Study Cram Slam

Dec 11,12,13 | 4:00-9:45 PM Come to Mitchell Park Community Center - El Palo Alto Room and study for finals with other teens, and with fun services.

# What is

#### Palo Alto-gether?

Welcome to The Palo Alto Youth Council's interactive newsletter.

Each month, The Palo Altogether dissects a new political issue, covers local youthorganized initiatives, and offers ways to become civically engaged.

Email us with the subject line "Newsletter" to subscribe.

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# November Issue Empowering Indigenous Voices



Iln light of Thanksgiving, the Palo Alto Youth Council aims to empower Indigenous voices and raise awareness of the historic oppression they have faced. Palo Alto Youth Council encourages families this Thanksgiving to acknowledge and remember Indigenous people's perspectives and stories.

# Questions? Want to be featured?

Email us to share your questions or have to your editorial featured in the next issue of The Palo Alto-gether.

# Organizations

- American Indian Cultural Center
- Indian Health Service
- National Indian Child Welfare Association
- American Indian College Fund
- American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California
- The Native American Rights Fund (NARF)
- Wings of America
- Peacekeeper Society
- National Native American Law Enforcement Association

### Word Scramble

Unscramble the thanksgiving themed words!

KISVGTAHGINN	
YETURK	
EATFS	
YLAMIF	
UGAFRETL	
SMDHEA OOTAPTSE	
PNMKPUI EIP	
VARGY	
TFUGFNIS	
GIRIPMLS	
EORVNBEM	
OLOYNC	
JULFYO	
MSOREMIE	
COIANCSO	

## History of Thanksgiving

The generally accepted tale of Thanksgiving is that in November of 1621, the Pilgrims celebrated the New World by sharing a feast with the Wampanoag tribe. However, this story covers the historical oppression and violence faced by Indigenous peoples. Currently, the Thanksgiving holiday has been adopted as a

celebration of turkey and gratitude, but it's important to remember the history behind it.