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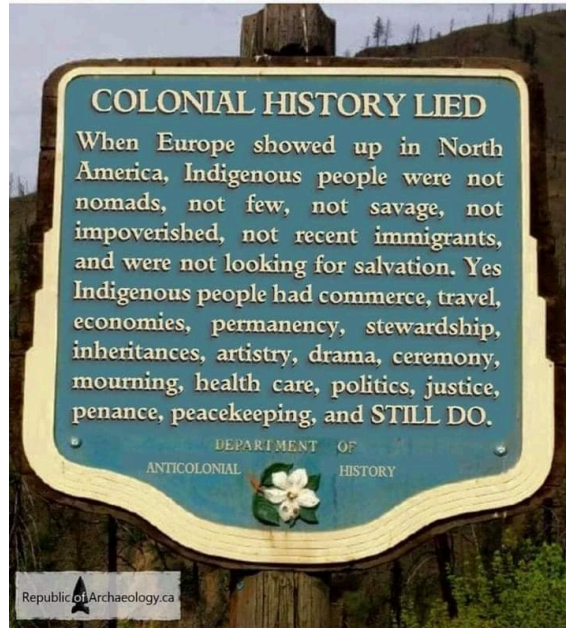


Indigenous East Bay residents share how they acknowledge and commemorate Thanksgiving. **Read more** https://www.berkeleyside.org/2022/11/16/celebrate-thanksgiving-respectfully-indigenous-native-people?utm_source=Berkeleyside+newsletters&utm_campaign=ce62ea91f0-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2022_11_17_01_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_aad4b5ee64-ce62ea91f0-333380833&goal=0_aad4b5ee64-ce62ea91f0-333380833&mc_cid=ce62ea91f0&mc_eid=9a443e4f7b

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By Miss Morrisseau

Duck soup, Bannock and Granny's boiled-raisin cake bring family together ... [continue reading](#)



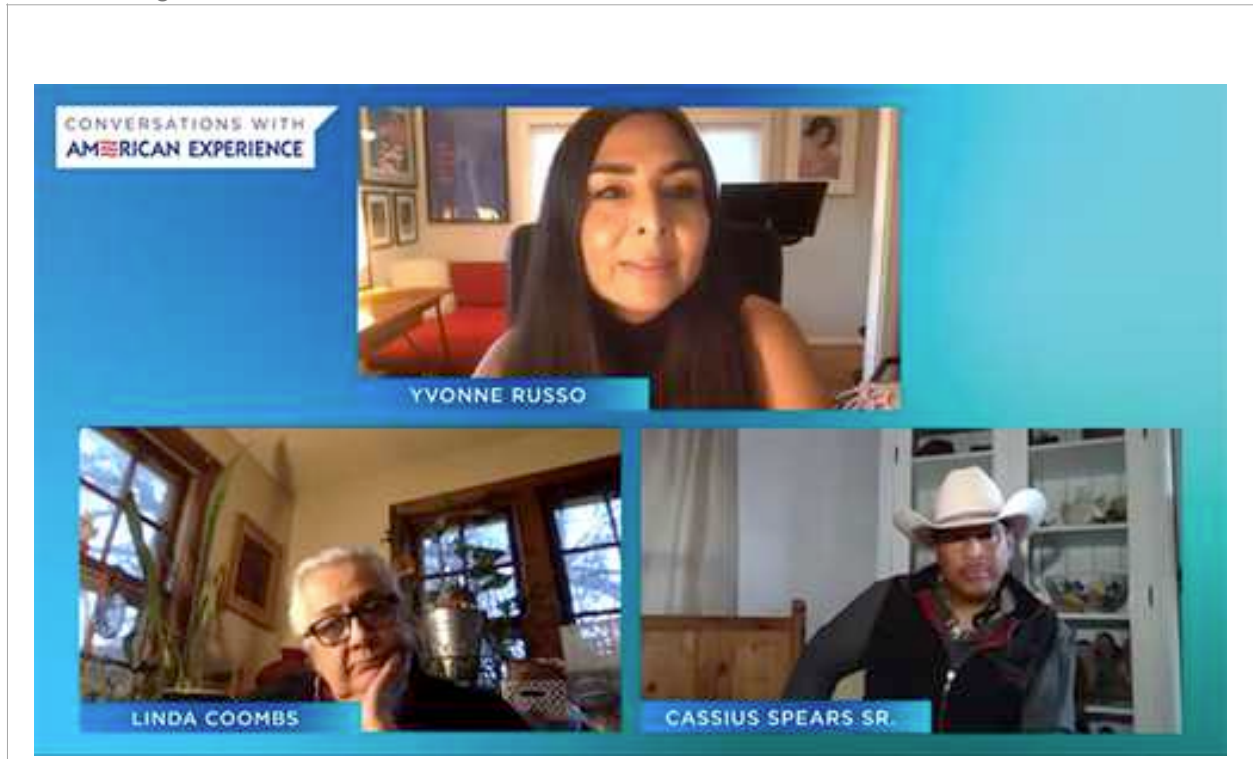
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From the archives — Do American Indians Celebrate Thanksgiving?

By Dennis W. Zoligh

Looking at this history raises a question: Why should Native peoples celebrate Thanksgiving? ... [continue reading](#)

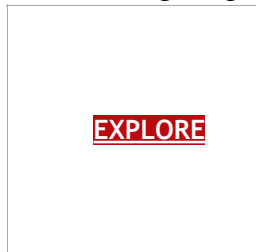
“**The Thanksgiving Play**”: Native American playwright Larissa FastHorse’s comedy about a school theater director trying to create a Thanksgiving pageant that won’t offend anybody makes its way to San Jose. **Details:** Through Dec. 18; City Lights Theater, San Jose; \$26-\$54;



[The Pilgrims](#) | Clip

[Myth of Thanksgiving](#)

Wampanoag historian Linda Coombs and Narragansett Knowledge Keeper Cassius Spears speak with filmmaker Yvonne Russo about the experiences of Native populations at the time of European settlers' arrival in New England 400 years ago, and what is actually known about the first Thanksgiving.



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[Why the Myths of Plymouth Dominate the American Imagination](https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/why-myths-plymouth-dominate-american-imagination-180976396/?utm_source=smithsoniandaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=20221118daily-responsive&spMailingID=47659600&spUserID=OTYyNTc5MzkyMTQyS0&spJobID=2342672567&spReportId=MjM0MjY3MjU2NwS2)

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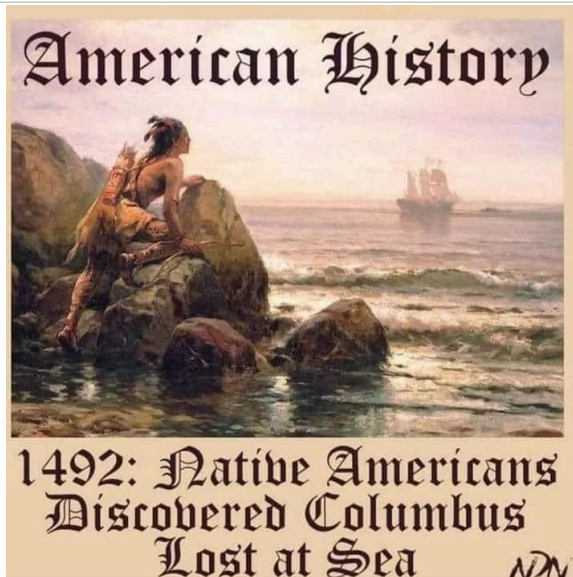
By Mary Annette Pember

Indigenous connections to the earth provide blueprint for halting climate change ... [continue reading](#)

Indian Country Today newscast

[A Wampanoag retelling of Thanksgiving](#)

A Wampanoag citizen retells us the true story about the first meeting between the Wampanoag people and the pilgrims. Plus, more on the handful of Native people who ran for public office in Tuesday's election ... [continue reading](#)





The Original Puritans

At Thanksgiving, Americans recount a lot of mythology about the Pilgrims and their religious ideology. But what did they actually believe?

By Maggie Phillips

Read Article: <https://www.tabletmag.com/sections/community/articles/original-puritans-thanksgiving>

“Soup is witchcraft.

We put plants, spells and dead animals into a cauldron and follow instructions from a book written by old people” (Anon)

[Enjoy your turkey soup.](#)

Everyone was settled around the table as the food was being served. When little Johnny received his plate, he started eating straight awyal/

“Johnny, wait until we’ve said our prayer, his mother reminded him.

“I don’ have to”, the little boy replied.

“Of course you do.” his mother insisted. “We say a prayer before eating at our house.”

“That’s at our house, “ Johnny explained, “but this is Grandma’s house and she knows how to cook”.



[The Myths of the Thanksgiving Story and the Lasting Damage They Imbue](#)

How to Tell the Thanksgiving Story on Its 400th Anniversary

Scholars are unraveling the myths surrounding the 1621 feast, which found the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag cementing a newly established alliance.

Extract:

“Instead of perpetuating this myth, institutions like Plymouth’s [Pilgrim Hall Museum](#) and [Plimoth Patuxet Museums](#) (formerly [Plimoth Plantation](#)) are acknowledging just how little information about the gathering survives, in addition to exploring the layered, devastating ramifications of the ostensibly festive feast. The new dialogue more carefully examines the complicated relationship between early English settlers and the [Wampanoag](#), who’d lived in the coastal community they called [Patuxet](#) for some [10,000 years](#) by the time of the three-day celebration—probably held in late September or early October, after the crops were brought in.”

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The Waterway That Brought the Pilgrims to Plymouth

Town Brook gave sustenance to the Plymouth’s early settlers, but years of dam building have endangered the struggling stream

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Cheyenne Arapaho Tribal Council

Turkey, whose feathers adorn regalia throughout Native cultures, is known in Choctaw as fvkit (pronounced, yes, exactly how you'd expect — and hope — it's pronounced) or cholokloha, after the gobbling sound it makes.

Don't forget to turn your bathroom scales back 15 pounds tonight at 1AM for Thanksgiving.

The History of Pardoning Turkeys Began With Tad Lincoln

The rambunctious boy had free rein of the White House, and used it to divert a holiday bird from the butcher's block

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/the-history-of-pardoning-turkeys-began-with-tad-lincoln-141137570/>

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So it is the season of thanks.

Thank you for your readership.....alho I do not get to speak with you individually on most days...or at all...please know that I do think of you as I put the Journal together and punch "send".

Thank you for putting up with the late, the undated, and hopefully not boring issues.

Thanks for those of you who send news to share, for those that comment on contents, and for Ernie Salgado and Gary Ballard of the American Indian Reporter who have created a searchable directory of the Journals (shaynedel.com).

If you think the last two years have been "something else"n just wait to see what's next! It won't be dull.....

*Best of the season to you and yours,
sdc*