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Village News and Notes

- **Council Meetings** : Regular Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 22, 2022 virtually at 6pm. Look for the zoom link invite on Facebook pages and website. Council Meetings are now at 6pm every meeting. Please note the time.

A message from Administration:

The new Council has been in office for a few months and wants to ensure that open and transparent communication with the public exists. We want to share with residents to date with the most current information. Like many municipalities the situation in our village is not the best. Some changes need to be made in order to build up the Village of Holden as we are on our way to a precipice. It is our desire to sure that residents are aware of the Villages situation in the hopes that it will shed light on some of Council's decisions.

We would like to start out by sharing how our municipality is funded for those who may be unaware. Our sources of revenue are: Grants, Services, Taxes, and Government Funding.

Grants: Unfortunately, grants are limited, not guaranteed, we must apply for them, qualify for them, and finally be awarded them. Furthermore, the funds used by an awarded Grant are dispersed specifically for pre-determined areas in the project.

Services: We as a village are pleased to say and advertise that we have our campground which generates a small revenue as well as brings people into the Village where it is our hope that they visit the businesses and facilities within the village.

Taxes: There are two categories which are Residential and Non-Residential

Government Funding: different programs that the government provides to municipalities.

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To post information in the *HOLDEN TIMES*, please submit by the 25th of the month to the Village office or by email to: holdencommunity@gmail.com More News at: www.holden.ca

An unpleasant truth is the village is struggling, as are most other small municipalities around us. The government has cut funding anywhere between 60% - 100% depending on the program, meaning that some programs have been cut all together. We have minimized the budget the best we can to do our best to keep taxes low and still stay functioning. The Village CAO has been working diligently to apply for extra funding, some of the funding that was available in previous years no longer exists. This puts us in serious danger of not having the funds we need to continue operating as normal. This means our municipality is in precarious times and steps have to be made to aid our Village to remain in good standing.

Another unpleasant truth: the various boards and organizations around the Village share the village's hardships. They are also feeling the pinch of these lean years. They are in need of help and sadly the village cannot commit to providing the financial help they are seeking. The Village request that you stay informed. Watch the council meetings as much as you can. Take interest in keeping our community alive - if you have some ideas of things that might help, share them with us, send us an email at cao@holden.ca. If you are on a board or part of an organization struggling - now is the time to volunteer, brainstorm, and fundraise. We cannot rely on what we have always done, times are changing and new barriers are upon us which calls for out-of-the-box thinking. We encourage all members of the village to volunteer in whatever capacity they are able and comfortable with. Please do not wait until it's too late and we lose these invaluable organizations!

This is not the first time the village has been through hard times, and it won't be the last. Holden was incorporated in 1909 and has survived multiple hardships and pandemics through its history. We made it because when things get tough, this community comes together! We are asking you to come together now. If you can donate to a local board or organization in need, if you can volunteer your time and skills, we can survive this together. Holden needs you!

The weather outside is frightful,
but our books are so delightful

Holden Municipal Library
Winter Reading Program

January - February 2022

The winter reading program requires a minimum
amount of allotted reading hours for participants to be
eligible for entry into the grand prize draw.

A Kobo eReader.

Hand log sheets in to your librarian or submit ballots on
your library's website for a chance to win

Sign up at Holden Municipal Library
to get in on the fun

For every # hours you get one entry

Children 0 - 9 yrs. : 3 hours

Children 10 yrs - 16 yrs : 5 hours

17 yrs and up : 7 hours

record the amount of time spent reading.
Books, eBooks, magazines, newspapers, books
read to your kids or family and/or audio books
all count



MUSEUM NEEDS YOU !



Thursday FEBRUARY 3/2022

Museum Board Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Museum is looking for a number of individuals with a positive outlook to push the Museum progressively into the years ahead.

Engage with us at any level:

as a Volunteer

as a Member

as a Board member

You are all invited to attend
at 7 PM at Holden Museum.
4928-50 Ave

Note: Masking & Distancing is needed.

For more info contact:

Dave at 780-688-2464 or
email: holdenmuseum@gmail.com

COME WORK WITH US !

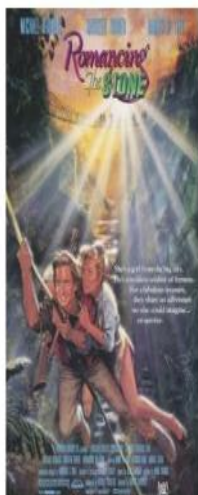
" HOLDEN HAS LOVE "

2 Movie Showings:

3 PM for Family
& Dinner @ 5 pm



6:30 Dinner &
Movie @ 8 pm



**Come celebrate
the season of
Love & Join Us
for an old
Fashioned dinner
& a movie.**

FEBRUARY 5/22

\$ 30 per person

**Couples or Singles
Welcome**

Contact Carrie at :
780-235-1329
Call or text

* movie w/o meal - \$ 7 A, \$ 3 C

**Steak w/o movie - \$ 25

*** shrimp add-on - \$5

Movies at Paragon

5019 - 50 St.
Holden, AB

Best Popcorn Around!

Dinner at Complex

5123 - 50 St
Holden, AB

Best Steak Around!

**Holden has Cowboys
Ladies !**

LET'S SHOW

HOLDEN the

LOVE It

DESERVES !



presenting:

BUT FIRST, LOVE YOURSELF

*You deserve love today and every day for being you!
Join us for this interactive webinar where we explore
building self-confidence, what self-worth really means,
and how to honour who you are.*

Friday, February 11

6:30-8 p.m. ~ Hosted over Zoom

To register, please contact Viking/Beaver FCSS at
780-336-4024; Tofield/Beaver County West FCSS at
780-662-7067, or message us on Facebook!

*The first twenty registrants will receive a
special gift - reserve your spot now!*

About your Facilitator: Jonelle Dunkley, Holden
Community Programmer for VBFCSS, is a certified life
coach with more than 10 years of experience
delivering self-esteem workshops to children and
adults. Jonelle believes in equipping women with the
proper tools to get through life's ups and downs with
dignity, grace and a great sense of self, and that
strong females equal a better future for everyone!



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Attendees will receive a special take-home self-care gift!

Please contact us at 780-336-4024 to register.

BRUCE STAY & PLAY



February 10, 2022

February 24, 2022

10-11 a.m.

Bruce Community Hall

(Please ensure you bring snow gear in case program moves outside for the day!)

For families with children ages 0-6.

Join us & the Camrose Family Resource Centre for activity play, story & song time, crafts, activities, & more!

Pre-registration not required.

WINTER WALK DAY

February 2, 2022

Join us in the afternoon at our beautiful Gazebo Park for an outdoor stroll and a variety of outdoor family activities.

Please watch our Facebook Page for more updates: @VBFCSS or email

Holden Community Programmer Jonelle Dunkley @ Holdenprogram@vbfcss.ca.



TRUE TO ME

February 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd, 2022

6-7 p.m.

Holden Council Chambers
(please use back door of Holden Village office to access)

Ages 8-12

Join us as we learn how to celebrate body positivity by building a self-esteem tool kit through fun activities and engaging activities!

Pre-registration and parental consent form required before attendance. Please contact VBFCSS for more information!




Viking office: M-F, 8:30-12, 1-4:30. 4924 53 Ave. 780-336-4024
Holden office: M, W, 8:30-12, 1-4:30. 4810 50 St. 780-688-3928



FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		<div>1</div> <div><u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>Senior Center</u> 1:30-4pm</div> <div><u>Hall Meeting</u> 6:30pm, Virtual</div>	
<div>6</div> <div><u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>FREE Public Skate</u> 1-4pm, Complex</div>	<div>7</div>	<div>8</div> <div><u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>Senior Center</u> 1:30-4pm</div> <div><u>EDC Meeting</u> 6:30pm, Virtual</div>	
<div>13</div> <div><u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>FREE Public Skate</u> 1-4pm, Complex</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Happy Valentine's Day</div>	<div>15</div> <div><u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>Senior Center</u> 1:30-4pm</div>	
<div>20</div> <div><u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>FREE Public Skate</u> 1-4pm, Complex</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Office Closed Family Day</div>	<div>22</div> <div><u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</div> <div><u>Senior Center</u> 1:30-4pm</div> <div><u>Council Meeting</u> 6pm, Virtual</div>	
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 <u>Museum AGM</u> 7pm, Museum	4 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	5 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm "Holden Has Love" <u>Movie & Steak Dinner</u> 3pm & 5 or 6:30 & 8, Theatre and Complex
9	10	11 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	12 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm
16	17	18 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	19 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm
23	24	25 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	26 <u>The Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm
			

HERITAGE RESOURCES COMMITTEE NEWS

Visit the Village of Holden's website at holden.ca and click on Our Heritage to find out more about the Village of Holden Heritage Program.

The Heritage Resources Committee was established in 2010 by a Village of Holden By-law to promote the identification and protection of historic resources in the Village. The committee worked with the Province through the Municipal Heritage Partnership Program and using grant funds, matching money from the Village and in kind contributions from committee members a consultant was hired to do the survey, prepare the Village of Holden Heritage inventory and to develop the Heritage Management Plan which establishes the process necessary to attain designation as a Municipal Heritage Resource.

You will see as you navigate the website that there are four registered Municipal Heritage Resources in the Village – the Old Village Garage, the Holden Museum, the former Lutheran Church that is now the Gallery and the Royal Canadian Legion Cenotaph. You will also find the Heritage Inventory and the Heritage Management Plan.

If you or your organization own a building that has heritage value and could qualify for historic designation please contact the Heritage Resources Committee through the Village Office. Heritage value is defined as the aesthetic, historic, scientific, cultural, social or spiritual importance of a historic resource. The heritage value of a historic place is embodied in the character defining elements of materials, forms, location, spatial configurations, uses and cultural associations or meanings. A resource with heritage value has significance to past, present and future generations.

Committee members most of whom have been on the committee since it's inception are President Christine Mackay, Vice President Peggy Nahirniak, Susan Tymchak, Dave Maruszcza, Village of Holden Council representative Travis Schiewe and Secretary Amanda Cox, the Village CAO. If you are interested in joining our committee let us know as we would welcome new members.



Holden Remote Clinic

Located at the Holden Lodge

4820-52 Avenue, Holden

Dr. Niemand

Tuesday February 16, 2022

Appointments from **1-4 pm**

Call 1-780-336-4780

schedule an appointment today!

Step into the New Year with one of our free virtual group workshops.

Call 780-632-2091 or visit kalynapcn.ca to register.

Happiness BASICS runs February 2-23, 2022

and more dates will be posted soon.



Awaiting a response from the Minister of Education

We received great news in December, when the Minister of Education **approved our preliminary application for a charter school!**

In a nutshell, this means they like our philosophy and vision for the school. The overlapping deadlines, and requests for additional information have delayed the Minister's response to our final application. We are hoping to hear very soon!

As soon as we receive approval, a lot of things need to happen really fast! Choosing staff, processing student applications, writing policy and procedures, preparing the facility and a myriad of details we don't even know yet.

**If you are interested in joining the team,
please reach out to us!**

Call/Text: **780-336-6457**

Email: **HoldenRuralAcademy@gmail.com**

HoldenRuralAcademy.ca



FREE PUBLIC SKATE

The Agricultural Society is offering

FREE Public skating

at the Holden Complex

Every Sunday 1 - 4pm



Holden Community Hall Association Is Looking for New Members

The Committee was formed back in 1993 to help fundraise and apply for grants to use for upgrades to the Community Hall.

In the last 6 years:

- ♦ All new chairs purchased
- ♦ Dollies and tables purchased
- ♦ Bathrooms have been upgraded
- ♦ All new entryway renovated
- ♦ Closet and coat room added
- ♦ New flooring in the entryway
- ♦ New flooring on the south side of building around the kitchen/storage

We are looking for at least 2 new members to keep our standing and committee with the government. This year we need to focus on new fundraising ideas to help towards new projects in the future. This group needs your help for this community. If this is something you would be interested, **please give Amber a call at the Village Office at 780-688-3928.**

NU2U2 Store 4904 – 50

St

Tuesdays — 12 pm to 4 pm

Saturdays — 12 pm to 4 pm

**Consignment and
Donations by Appointment
only**

Contact Mona @ 780-245-3921

or email:

holdensnu2u2@gmail.com

Volunteers are Needed**Please Recycle****Diamond J Bakery**

Delivers to Holden every
Wednesday, between Noon
and 1pm. Go to
DiamondJBakery.com
for a list of products.

Contact us at
(780)-386-2254 or at

contact@DiamondJBakery.com

COUNTRY KITCHEN

**MAIN STREET
HOLDEN, AB
(780-688-2066)**

Hours of operation:

Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 6.30pm

Saturday (open until 4pm)

(Closed Sunday and Holidays)

THE GALLERY**Studio 14 Art Association**

Rent the Gallery / Join the Arts

Group/ Contact:

Joy @ 780-717-3657

LOCATED AT 4916 - 49 AVENUE
IN HOLDEN

HOURS: OPEN- FRIDAY,
SATURDAY & SUNDAY 12-4PM

CLOSED LONG WEEKENDS

EMAIL: thegalleryholden@gmail.com



Gwen Stordahl, Agency Owner
Everyday Financial Services

Office 780-688-2086
Mobile 780-608-4407
Fax 780-688-2088
gstordahl@atb.com

4924 50 Street
Holden, AB T0B 2C0

Tuesday, Wednesday &
Friday
10am-3:30pm

atb.com

ATB Financial**Holden Hotel
Liquor Store**

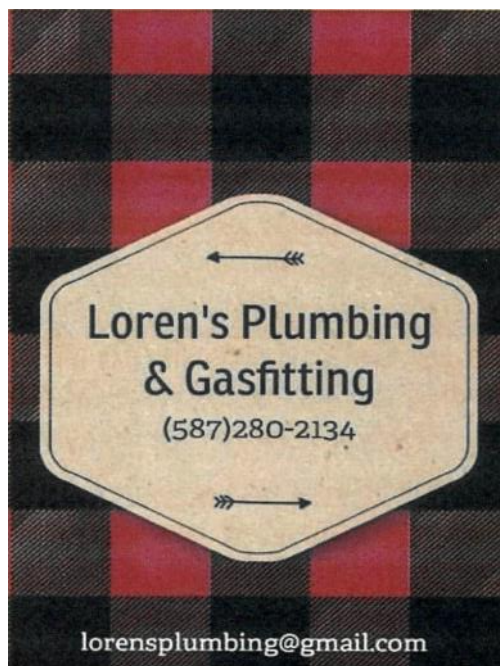
Hours 10am-9pm
Monday to Saturday
Closed Sunday
Phone: 587-415-8656

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and more. Large party orders receive a
discount!!

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Heavy Duty
Mechanic**

**Lance Giebelhaus
780-603-7085**

Patti's Place Now Open**Monday to Saturday****8am-7pm****Closed Sunday****Call for Take out only at
587-415-8656 or 780-782-8055
Daily Specials!****Seniors walking at the Drop-In Centre****Mon, Weds & Fri from 10am – 11am****Proof of vaccination required****For info phone Aileen 688-3731****COUNTRY
Bottle
Depot****Hours of Operation
Tuesday & Saturday****9:00 am to 5:00pm****5012 - 48 Ave
Holden****780 688 3378
780 632 9313 CELL****Shum's Services Inc.****Snow clearing****Grass cutting****Weed whacking****Yard clean-up****Clean-up of dead fall bush, trees****Skid steer for hire****Call for quotes****1-780-853-3593 or 780-688-2061 HM**

RYLEY POOL & WELLNESS CENTRE

CALL THE POOL FOR MORE INFO
(780) 663-3505

Morning Lane Swim & Aquasize	Monday & Wednesday 7 - 9 am
Morning Lane Swim & Aquasize	Friday 7:30 - 9 am
Public Swim	Mon, Wed, & Friday 6 - 8 pm
Public Swim	Sunday 2 - 5pm

**FREE SWIM: 1ST & 3RD
SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
PROOF OF VACCINATION**

HOLDEN CHURCH LIST

St. Gregory Catholic Church

4824-49 Ave

Father Robert Lee 780-632-3272

Holden United Church

4924-50 Ave—Sunday Service 10 am via ZOOM

Rev. Adam Hall

780-662-3471

Emmanuel Evangelical Missionary Church

Hwy 626 & Range Rd 152

Pastor: Michael Clark 587-784-7514

Sunday Service 10:30 am

Ukrainian Catholic Churches

Holden (Descent of the Holy Spirit) 780-688-3844

St. Mary's (South Holden) 780-688-2331

Father Mark Bayrock 780-679-0975

Council Meeting Dates:

Village of Holden

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Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Virtually at 6pm.**

Village Office:

Box 357, 4810-50 Street, Holden, Alberta, T0B 2C0

Phone: 780-688-3928 / Fax: 780-688-2091

Email: CAO@holden.ca

Office Hours: 8:30 am-12:00 noon & 1:00-4:30 pm

Office Closed: Monday, February 21 for Family Day!

*New to Holden? Pick up
a Welcome/Info Package
at the Village Office.*



Website:

www.holden.ca