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**HOLDEN TIMES**



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**Council Meetings : Regular Council Meeting will be November 17, 2025.**

## **Village of Holden News**



Council Elected Mayor: Carl Marsh  
Council Elected Deputy Mayor: Tyler Beckett

Tammy Hill (Front)  
Alan Ramshaw, Tyler Beckett  
& Carl Marsh (Middle)  
Shawn Cole (Back)

Village Administration is pleased to welcome the 2025 - 2029 Council members. Consisting of two returning councillors; Tyler Beckett and Shawn Cole and three new councillors; Tammy Hill, Carl Marsh and Alan Ramshaw.

The past Council was a pleasure to work with and I look forward to working successfully with the new Council. My appreciation goes out to the former Councillors for their service to the Village.

During the 2025 Organizational Meeting, October 27, Carl Marsh was elected as Mayor for the upcoming year and Tyler Beckett was elected as Deputy Mayor. Congratulations! Please join us in welcoming the 2025 - 2029 Council Team.

For the next while Administration and Council will be busy getting everyone up to speed with regional training, etc.

As some of you are aware, Administration hired a new public works personnel during the summer and wish to remind our residents to be patient with the upcoming snow clearing season since this is Joshua's first season to plowing snow.

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To post information in the *HOLDEN TIMES*, please submit by the 25th of the month by email to:  
[admin@holden.ca](mailto:admin@holden.ca)

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Administration also extends appreciation to David Marko for stepping up and helping out during an unexpected situation this summer. And to Abe Shihinski for doing an awesome job this summer helping manage the maintenance and upkeep of the Village properties.

Of course, I cannot forget Amber Kostyk, who is and has been a blessing to me from the day I arrived in the Chief Administrative Officer position.

For the upcoming snow clearing season, please do your best to move your vehicles out of the way as the grader goes by your street. This will help ensure that Joshua is more comfortable with using the grader and also help with getting the snow removed from the streets.

To the residents of 51 Ave West of 50 Street, I apologize that the street still does not have a hard surface. We tried to get a contractor to take on this job in 2025 but none were available. We will continue to try to find a contractor for 2026.

To the residents of who were affected by the 2025 Sewer Project, thank you deeply for your patience during that inconvenient time. Much appreciated.

Also, I wish to remind residents with unsightly properties and ongoing safety concerns, that Enforcement will continue for property owners who need to maintain their properties in a safe and tidy manner.

Please know that during the spring and fall season, Holden Rural Academy provides assistance to property owners who need help with outside property cleanup. To access this help, simply call the school.

I have appreciated my time here thus far and look forward to serving the village in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Rosemary Offrey,  
Chief Administrative Officer

# Beaverhill Players

presents

## MURDER ON THE GRILL

Adapted from the University Games Murder Mystery Party Game, *A Murder on the Grill*

**Mad Platter Catering**

\*gluten free options available, request with ticket

Get your  
tickets by  
Friday, October 31.  
Call or text Dave  
780-720-5839  
or email  
beaverhillplayers17  
@gmail.com

**INTERACTIVE  
DINNER THEATRE**

**Tickets: \$40**

CORRECTLY GUESS THE MURDERER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A DOOR PRIZE!

**Saturday, Nov. 8**

Doors open 6pm, event starts at 6:30pm sharp

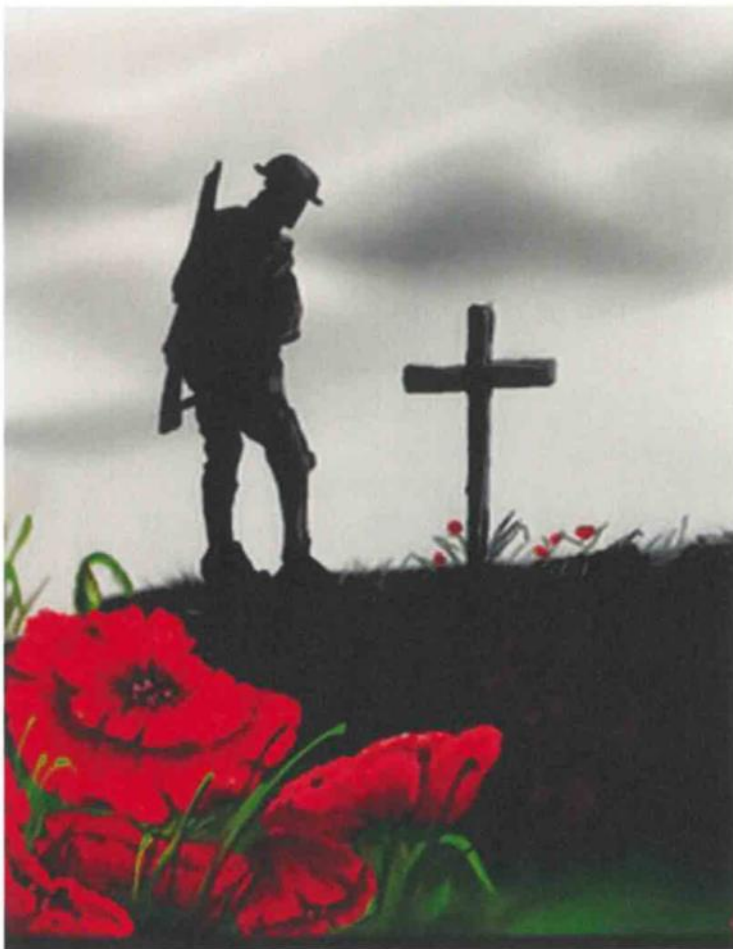
**Sunday, Nov. 9 matinee**

Doors open 1pm, event starts at 1:30pm sharp



Alberta  
Foundation  
for the Arts

at the Holden Community Hall  
4919-49 Ave, Holden, AB



The Royal Canadian Legion Holden Branch No. 56 cordially invites you to the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Holden Cenotaph on Tuesday, November 11 at 11 AM sharp.

This will be followed by a short service and light refreshments at the Holden Legion.

All welcome!

# COME REMEMBER WITH US !



HOLDEN HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY MUSEUM

At HOLDEN MUSEUM

**NOVEMBER 11/2025**

**12 to 3 PM**

**VIEW Authentic WW 1 &  
WW 2 Paintings & Posters**



**MOVIE/VIDEOS ( 1 PM) - The Devils Brigade**

**True story of involved local Larry Story in WW 2**

**Come Enjoy our current Exhibits & Displays**

**Museum located at 4928 - 50 Ave, Holden, AB**

**780-720-5839 voice/text or 780-688-3593**

**or email: [holdenmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:holdenmuseum@gmail.com)**

**Even though publicly closed for season,  
Contact us anytime for viewing during  
Off-Season. We would love to see you!**





# **Building Our Future**

**Holden Ag Society  
Annual Fundraiser**

**Saturday, November 15, 2025  
At The Holden Complex**

**Steak \$32**

**Steak and Shrimp \$37**

**Children's meal (Burgers and Hot Dogs only)**

**12+ \$10, 6-11 \$5, 5 and under free**

**Supper 5-7.30pm**

**Live Auction 7.30pm**

**Silent Auction 5- Live Auction Ending**

**Free Public Skating 5-8pm**

**For Further Information**

**Please text/call Liucy 780-781-6014**





# 2025 Christmas Hamper Season

*Viking/Beaver FCSS provides hampers to individuals and families living in the communities of Kinsella, Viking, Bruce & Holden*

**Registration is now open!**

*Please email or call one of our offices to register*

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 5, 2025  
~ EARLY REGISTRATION APPRECIATED!**

## VIKING OFFICE

VikingProgram@vbfcss.ca

or call 780-336-4024

Open Mon - Fri,

8:30am -4:30pm

Closed 12-1pm for lunch.

## HOLDEN OFFICE

HoldenProgram@vbfcss.ca

or call 780-688-3928

Open Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs


~ 1:00pm -4:30pm

**If you would like to support the Christmas hamper program, financial donations, gifts, or non perishable food items can be dropped off at either one of our FCSS locations.**

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support and generosity of the Christmas hamper program!



NOVEMBER

| Sunday   |   | Monday                                       | Tuesday  | Wednesday       |
|--|---|--|--|-----------------|
|  |   |  | <br>REMEMBRANCE DAY<br><i>Let Us Forget</i>                                |                 |
| 2<br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm   |   | 3  | 4<br><u>Library Open</u><br>10am-6pm<br><u>Senior Center</u><br>1:30pm   |                 |
| 9<br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm<br><u>Murder on the Grill</u><br>1:30pm, Hall |   | 10   | 11<br><u>Library Open</u><br>10am-6pm<br><u>Senior Center</u><br>1:30pm<br><u>Remembrance Day Ceremony</u><br>11am, Cenotaph<br><u>Museum Open</u><br>12-3pm |                 |
| 16<br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm  |   | 17<br><u>Council Meeting</u><br>6pm, Village | 18<br><u>Library Open</u><br>10am-6pm<br><u>Senior Center</u><br>1:30pm  | <u>Cr</u><br>2- |
| 23<br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm  | <u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm<br><u>Turkey Supper</u><br>5-7:30pm, Hall<br>30 | 24   | 25<br><u>Library Open</u><br>10am-6pm<br><u>Senior Center</u><br>1:30pm  | <u>Cr</u><br>2- |



# BER 2025

| Wednesday   | Thursday                                  | Friday                                     | Saturday  |
|---|---|--|---|
|   |   |  | <b>1</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>9am-12pm<br><u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u><br><u>Open</u><br>12-4pm  |
| 5   | <b>6</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>4-8pm  | <b>7</b><br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm  | <b>8</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>9am-12pm<br><u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u><br><u>Open</u><br>12-4pm<br><u>Murder on the Grill</u><br>6:30pm, Hall  |
| 12  | <b>13</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>4-8pm | <b>14</b><br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm | <b>15</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>9am-12pm<br><u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u><br><u>Open</u><br>12-4pm<br><u>Complex Annual</u><br><u>Fundraiser Event</u><br>Dinner 5-7pm<br>Auction 7:30pm<br>Free Skating 5-8pm |
| <b>19</b><br><u>Crafting for</u><br><u>Wellness</u><br>12-4pm, Hall | <b>20</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>4-8pm | <b>21</b><br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm | <b>22</b><br><u>Christmas Market</u><br>11am-3pm, Hall<br><u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u><br><u>Open</u><br>12-4pm   |
| <b>26</b><br><u>Crafting for</u><br><u>Wellness</u><br>12-4pm, Hall | <b>27</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>4-8pm | <b>28</b><br><u>Gallery Open</u><br>12-4pm | <b>29</b><br><u>Library Open</u><br>9am-12pm<br><u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u><br><u>Open</u><br>12-4pm   |



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# HOLDEN CHRISTMAS MARKET

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Embrace the season's spirit and discover  
a treasure trove of unique handmade crafts,  
delightful food by the Holden Senior Club.

*Saturday, November 22*

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**11 AM - 3 PM  
FREE ENTRY**

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Holden Community Hall  
4919 - 49 Ave, HOLDEN

**Sponsored by the Holden Economic  
Development Committee and Village of Holden**





**HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION  
& THE GALLERY PRESENTS**

# COMMUNITY TURKEY SUPPER

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025**

**5:00 - 7:30pm**

**Ages 13 - Adults: \$25**

**Ages 6 - 12: \$10**

**5 and Under: Free**

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**HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL**



# CRAFTING FOR WELLNESS

JOIN A LIFE-LONG CRAFTER AND EXPLORE THE POWER OF ART AND  
CRAFTING AS IT RELATES TO YOUR HEALTH AND WELLNESS!



**NOVEMBER 19 & 26**

**DECEMBER 3 & 10**

**HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL**

**2:00-4:00 P.M.**



*All ages/ability levels welcome!*

*Come with your own project, or join us in creating something  
together as a group!*

*Pre-registration welcomed, but not required.*

*For more information please contact Shannon at 780-688-3928 or  
[holdenprogram@vbcfcss.ca](mailto:holdenprogram@vbcfcss.ca)*



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Bargains**







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**You can pay bills at the Post office.  
Visit a Canada Post.**

## **HOLDEN SENIORS CLUB SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT**

The Holden Seniors Club was buzzing with excitement for three days October (22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>) as teams vied for the championship title in the A and B shuffleboard events. Both events were nail biters, and there was much oohing and aahing at the strategic and bull's eye shots executed by the teams. In the end, it boiled down to a one-point win for A-side champions Brad Kalf and Kelly Ann Story! On the B-side, it was a similar story, but Fred Kiist and Bea Kalf emerged triumphant! Congratulations to all the teams who came out to play – it sure was a fun filled three days.

We play crib or shuffleboard every Tuesday from 1:00 (registration) to 4:00 PM at the Holden Seniors Club – everyone is welcome. Come on over to hone your shuffleboard or crib skills – we'd love to see you!



**A Event Winners: Kelly Ann Story and Brad Kalf, presented with their prize money by Holden Seniors Club President, Christine Mackay.**



**B Event Winners: Fred Kiist and Bea Kalf, presented with their prize money by Christine Mackay.**



# VIKING/BEAVER FCSS:

## HELPING PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES

### COURSES, PROGRAMS, & SUPPORTS

#### FCSS HOURS IN HOLDEN!



#### **November:**

**17,18,19,20**

**24,25,26,27**

**1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.**

#### **CRAFTING FOR WELLNESS**

Please Join our Holden  
Programmer for a  
“craft and a chat”

**Nov 19&26/ 2025**

**Dec 3&10/2025**

**2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.**

Holden community Hall



#### **BRUCE STAY AND PLAY**



**Nov. 7 & 21**

**Dec 5&19**

**Bruce Community Hall**

**11 a.m.- NOON**

For families with children ages 0-6.  
Join us & the Camrose Family Resource  
Centre for activity play, story & song  
time, crafts, activities, & more!

***Free of charge!***

*Pre-registration not required.*

#### **Christmas Hamper 2025**



Viking/Beaver FCSS hampers for individuals and  
Families in Kinsella, Viking, Bruce and Holden

Viking Office    Holden Office

vikingprogram@vbfcss.ca

holdenprogram@vbfcss.ca

780-336-4024

780-688-3928

Open Mon-Fri



Open Mon-Thurs

8:30-4:30

1:00-4:30

closed for Lunch

If you would like to help with gifts,  
financially or food items Please drop  
off at either FCSS office.

Thanks



Viking office: M-F, 8:30-12, 1-4:30. 4924 53 Ave. 780-336-4024

Holden office: Monday-Thursday 1-4:30 pm

4810 50 St. 780-688-3928



# ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION HOLDEN BRANCH NO. 56 NEWS & EVENTS

Crib Tournament every 3rd Friday of the Month @  
7pm except July & August

Interested in becoming a Legion member? Contact  
membership chair Ivan Hrabec at 780-679-5633 or  
email at i.hrabec@hotmail.com

The Legion is available for rent. Contact Peggy  
Nahirniak at 780-688-2109

## Holden Hotel Liquor Store

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

## Patti's Place Now Open

Monday to Saturday  
8am-7pm  
Closed Sunday  
587-415-8656 or 780-782-8055

# THE GALLERY

## Studio 14 Art Association

Julianne @ 780-490-9190

LOCATED AT 4916 - 49 AVENUE IN  
HOLDEN

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

thegalleryholden@gmail.com



# COUNTRY Bottle Depot

Hours of Operation  
Tuesday & Saturday  
9 am to 5:00pm

5012 - 48 Ave  
Holden

780 688 3378  
780 632 9313 CELL

# COUNTRY KITCHEN

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

## Hours of operation:

Monday – Friday 11:30am - 6:30pm  
Saturday 11:30am - 4pm

(Closed Sunday and Holidays)

## **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



## **RYLEY POOL & WELLNESS CENTRE**

CALL THE POOL FOR MORE INFO

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

(780) 663-3505

## **HOLDEN CHURCH LIST**

### **Emmanuel Evangelical Missionary Church**

Hwy 626 & Range Rd 152  
Pastor: Josh Briscall 780-884-1524

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 Don Bodnar 780-679-0975

### **Council Meeting Dates:**

**Council Meeting– Regular Council Meeting is November 17, 2025.**

### **Village Office:**

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

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

Email: [cao@holden.ca](mailto:cao@holden.ca)

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

**Office Closed:** Tuesday, November 11, 2025 for Remembrance Day.

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



### **Website:**

**[www.holden.ca](http://www.holden.ca)**