

**FREE**



**HOLDEN**  **TIMES**

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**FEBRUARY 2026**



Council Meetings : Regular Council Meeting will be Tuesday, February 17, 2026. Meetings are open to the public to listen in the Village Office or by Zoom.

**SAVE THE NEW DATE**

# **HOLDEN FARMER'S DAY**

**First Saturday of June  
June 6, 2026**

**More Information to  
come**

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)

# NOTICE

## Annual Animal Licenses

Cat & Dog Licenses are Due



By February 28th

\$15.00 each

All Dogs over the age of SIX months must be licensed

Cost is \$20.00 for tags renewed on or after March 1st



### SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

To be held in the Holden Senior Center on February 24, 25 and 26 in the afternoons  
Members: \$10 Non-members: \$15

A great time of fellowship, laughter and cheering is had by all. You can join us even if you have never played before. We are not pros!!! If you wish to try it out, phone Sharon at (780-632-6812).

Seniors meeting every Tuesday afternoon for cards and Shuffleboard. You are welcome!

# VIKING/BEAVER FCSS:

## HELPING PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES

### COURSES, PROGRAMS, & SUPPORTS

#### VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

Viking/Beaver FCSS is offering a free filing of personal income taxes for low\* income individuals with simple\* tax returns.

\*The definition of "Low Income" is dependent on the number of family members & yearly total family income.

\*Simple tax returns do not include farms, self employment, businesses, rental income, capital gains/losses, bankruptcy, or deceased individuals.

Registration forms are available at either our Viking or Holden location. For more information, please contact VBFCSS at 780-336-4024.

#### Stay and Play

PLEASE NOTE LOCATION CHANGE

FOR FAMILIES WITH KIDS AGES 0-6

JOIN US FOR ACTIVE PLAY, STORY  
AND SONG TIME, CRAFTS,  
ACTIVITIES, PARENT RESOURCES,  
FAMILY SUPPORT AND MORE!

**FREE OF CHARGE**  
**NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!**

**VIKING ALLIANCE CHURCH**

5115-48 STREET, VIKING, AB

**JANUARY 16 & 30, 2026**

**FEBRUARY 13 & 27, 2026**

**MARCH 13 & 27, 2026**



#### VIKING/BEAVER FCSS

WE WISH TO THANK EVERYONE THAT  
ATTENDED EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY  
OF HOLDEN IN 2025!

I PERSONALLY APPRECIATE EACH AND  
EVERYONE WHO SHOWED UP AND MADE  
EVENTS A SUCCESS!

LET'S MAKE 2026 A YEAR TO REMEMBER!  
REMEMBER IT TAKES A VILLAGE!



**THANK  
YOU!**



**HOLDEN OFFICE HOURS**  
**TUES & WED 8:30-4:30**

**PLEASE CALL VIKING IF  
NEEDED.**

**NOTE: FEB 16 CLOSED FOR  
FAMILY DAY**

#### CRAFTING FOR WELLNESS

**Please Join our Holden  
Programmer for a  
"craft and a chat"**



**Feb 4/2025**

**Feb 18 /2025**

**at the Hall**  
**2:00-4:00**



Bring your own project or feel free to  
join us with ours.



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

Holden office: Tues-Wed 8:30-4:30. 4810 50 St. 780-688-3928







HOLDEN MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

JAN 1 - FEB 28,  
2026

ONCE UPON A WINTER

Winter  
TALES

EVERY 60 MINUTES  
AN ENTRY IN THE GRAND PRIZE DRAW!

ALL AGES,  
WIN PRIZES  
(LEGO OR CHAPTERS GIFT CARD)

COME TO THE LIBRARY AND GET A LOG SHEET  
OR GO TO  
[NLLSREADINGPROGRAMS.CA](https://nllsreadingprograms.ca)

 **NLLS**  
Reading Programs  
EXPLORE

WINTER READING PROGRAM 2026

# IGNITE YOUR CURIOSITY!

Join this hands-on  
STEM adventure  
with Scientists  
in School!



## Candy Chemistry

60 minutes | Ages 4-12\*

Discover the surprising science hiding in a bag of Skittles. Explore solubility, buoyancy, reactivity and investigate the odds of finding your favourite colour. How sweet it is!

\*Children under six may require the assistance of an adult.



**Date:** Thursday Feb 12, 2026

**Time:** 11:00 a.m link will be provide

**To Register:**

**Holden Library**

**Phone 780-688-3838**

**Email**

**librarian@holdenlibrary.ab.ca**

**limit space**

Scientists in School is a leading Canadian science education charity  
(867139537RR0001) | [scientistsinschool.ca](http://scientistsinschool.ca)

## FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>1</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm</p>	
<p>8</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm</p>	
<p>15</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p><b>OFFICE CLOSED Family Day</b></p>	<p>17</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm <u>Council Meeting</u> 6pm, Village</p>	
<p>22</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <b>Senior Center Shuffleboard Tournament</b></p>	

# MAY 2026

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	6 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	7 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm
11	12 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	13 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	14 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm
18	19 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	20 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Legion Crib</u> <u>Tournament</u> 7pm, Legion	21 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Music Jam</u> 2pm, Hall
25	26 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	27 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	28 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm



# MUSIC JAM / OPEN MIC

HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL

4919 - 49 Ave.

HOLDEN, AB



**SATURDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 21/2026**  
**2 PM**

Admission - \$ 5 per person

Musicians/Participants - No Charge

**Come Dance/Listen to the Music**



Light lunch available

**Concession**

For more info:

Dave 780-720-5839

or beaverhillplayers17@gmail.com



**MUSICIANS & SPECTATORS WELCOME**



# **Free Public Skating**

**(Donations gratefully accepted)**

## **Sundays 5-8pm**



## **Shinny Fridays 6-9pm**

## **Holden Complex**

**5123 50 St**

**Helmets are required by all skaters**



*HOLDEN SCHOOL GYM FRIDAY  
NIGHTS 7:00pm (starting January 23) BE  
READY TO LAUGH AND HAVE FUN!*

*Bring clean indoor shoes,  
equipment available to use,  
\$2 drop in fee*

## 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](mailto:i.hrabec@hotmail.com)

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

### HOLDEN HOTEL

587-415-8656 or 780-782-8055

#### GROCERY STORE

Hours: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm  
Monday to Saturday  
Closed Sunday and Holidays

#### LIQUOR STORE

Hours: 10:00 am to 9:00 pm  
Monday to Saturday  
Closed Sunday

#### PATTI'S PLACE (RESTAURANT)

Hours: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm  
Monday to Saturday  
Closed Sunday and Holidays

## 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)

## 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](mailto:thegalleryholden@gmail.com)



### **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](mailto:holdensnu2u2@gmail.com)



## **RYLEY POOL & WELLNESS CENTRE**

CALL THE POOL FOR MORE  
INFO

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

(780) 663-3505

## **HOLDEN CHURCH LIST**

### **Emmanuel Evangelical Missionary Church**

Hwy 626 & Range Rd 152

Pastor: Josh Briscall 780-803-1524

Sunday Service 10:30 am

### **Ukrainian Catholic Churches**

St. Mary's (South Holden)

780-688-2331

Father Don Bodnar 780-679-0975

### **Council Meeting Dates:**

**Council Meeting– Regular Council Meeting is Tuesday, February 17, 2026.**

### **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:** February 16, 2026 for Family Day.

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



### **Website:**

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