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**HOLDEN  TIMES**

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**MARCH 2026**



**Council Meetings : Regular Council Meeting will be Monday, March 16, 2026. Meetings are open to the public to listen in the Village Office or by Zoom.**

# THE VILLAGE OF HOLDEN SENDS A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO:

**HOLDEN HUTTERITE COLONY  
AND  
THE VILLAGE OF RYLEY**

**FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE WITH SNOW  
REMOVAL!**

**THEIR QUICK RESPONSE AND COMMITMENT TO  
EFFICIENTLY REMOVING THE SNOW WAS IMPRESSIVE!**

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)

## **FRIENDLY REMINDER TO VILLAGE RESIDENTS**

- ◆ Remember to remove snow from the sidewalk(s) that border your property within 48 hours of a snowfall.
- ◆ If the sidewalks become icy, the Village has provided free sand and salt mixture in the blue box located on the north end of the Village Shop. If you wish to use the free supply, you need to bring your own shovel and container.
- ◆ Please move your vehicle after a snow fall to ensure that the grader operator can move the snow efficiently.
- ◆ Remember that boulevard parking is not permitted. The boulevard is intended for Village use, such as snow storage during the winter months.
- ◆ For those of you who have not already done so, remember to get your annual dog and or cat license.
- ◆ For people who have trailers parked on the street, remember to remove them for snow clearing purposes and remember that all trailers need to be moved after 48 hours on the street.
- ◆ Remember to park diagonally on 50 Street and 49 Avenue.
- ◆ Remember to be kind to your neighbour.

## ***Village of Holden***



### **Notice to the General Public of the Village of Holden** **Second Reading of the Proposed Business License Bylaw** **13-2025**

The Business License Bylaw No. 13-2025 is to meet the requirements of the Alberta Municipal Government Act, Section 7 (e), whereby, a municipal Council may pass a Bylaw.

The purpose of the bylaw is for Council to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to impose the requirements to register for an annual Business License upon all business owners (including home-based businesses) within the Village of Holden boundaries.

A copy of the proposed bylaw may be viewed at the Village Office, 4810 – 50 Street, Holden, AB.

If any resident of Holden has concerns with the proposed bylaw, they may send a notice of their concerns to the Village Office, Box 357, Holden, AB T0B 2C0, not later than March 12, 2026. The notice must outline the concern(s) that the individual has with the proposed bylaw and the reason why they are concerned.

Notice Date: 02-24-2026

Mailing Address: Box 357, 4810 50 Street, Holden, AB T0B 2C0  
Phone: 780-688-3928

SAVE THE NEW DATE

HOLDEN  
FARMER'S DAY

First Saturday of June  
June 6, 2026

More Information to  
come



# St. Patrick's Day

## Tea



Tuesday March 17  
Holden Senior Center



2 -4P.M. -



Admission: \$7:00

Strawberry Shortcake

Tea / Coffee

Everyone Welcome

# MUSEUM NEEDS YOU !



## Thursday MARCH 19/2026

# 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**

(Basement United Church next door).

For more info contact:

Dave at 780-720-5839 or  
email: [holdenmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:holdenmuseum@gmail.com)

# COME WORK WITH US !



Holden Community  
Hall Association  
Presents

# Pajama Jam Family Dance

Friday, March 20

6-9:30 pm

@ Holden Community Hall

**FREE ADMISSION**

Concession Available

Kids Meal: Hog dog, cookie & glass of Juice: \$5  
Plate of Spaghetti with meat sauce and garlic  
bread: \$10, drinks, treats and More!!



# MARCO

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wedn
<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm</p>	<p><u>Cra</u> V 2-</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p><u>Council Meeting</u> 6pm, Village</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>St. Patrick's Day</u> <u>Tea</u> 2-4pm, Seniors</p>	<p><u>Cra</u> V 2-</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm</p>	<p>6:30</p>
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# 2026

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4</p> <p><u>Wafting for Wellness</u> 4pm, Hall</p>	<p>5</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</p>
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<p>18</p> <p><u>Wafting for Wellness</u> 4pm, Hall</p>	<p>19</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm <u>Museum AGM</u> 7pm, Museum</p>	<p>20</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Legion Crib</u> 7pm, Legion <u>Pajama Jam Family Dance</u> 6-9:30pm, Hall</p>	<p>21</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Music Jam</u> 2pm, Hall</p>
<p>25</p> <p><u>ZOO2U</u> 10pm, Hall</p>	<p>26</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p><u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p><u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery &amp; NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm</p>
			

# MUSIC JAM / KARIOKE

HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL  
4919 - 49 Ave.  
HOLDEN, AB



**SATURDAY**  
**MARCH 21/2026**

Music Jam 2 PM

Karaoke 4 PM

Admission - \$ 5 per person

Musicians - No Charge

**Come Dance/Listen to the Music**



Light lunch available

Concession

For more info:

Dave 780-720-5839

or [beaverhillplayers17@gmail.com](mailto:beaverhillplayers17@gmail.com)



**MUSICIANS & SPECTATORS WELCOME**



**IT'S BACK!**

# **ZOO 2 U!**

**LET US BRING THE ZOO TO YOU! A TRAINED ANIMAL HANDLER WILL BE VISTING WITH A DOZEN FUZZY, CUTE, AND SOMETIMES CREEPY ANIMALS! COME LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WONDERFUL CREATURES THAT SHARE OUR WORLD, AND INTERACT DIRECTLY WITH THEM!**

**MARCH 25, 2026 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL**

**\*PARENTS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE!\***

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

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT  
VIKING/BEAVER FCSS AT 780.336.4024.**

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**Holden Municipal Library**



# 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 VBFCS 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

**MARCH 13<sup>th</sup> & 27, 2026**



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#### CRAFTING FOR WELLNESS

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



**March 4/2026**  
**March 18/2026**

**Holden Community Hall**  
**2:00-4:00**

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



## **Heritage Resources Committee Update**

Did you know there is a Heritage Resources Committee in Holden? In 2010 the Village of Holden passed a by-law establishing this committee 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 the committee, a consultant was hired to do a survey and prepare the Village of Holden Heritage Inventory. The inventory includes a description of the property, the significant criteria, the context, the period of significance and the character defining elements for each of the 24 properties included. Once this was completed the committee worked with the consultant to prepare the Heritage Management Plan which establishes the process that must be followed to attain designation as a Municipal Heritage Resource. Once this plan was completed the Committee tested the process outlined in the plan to see if it was manageable by going through the process of having the old Village of Holden Garage designated. The designation was successful and we now have a total of four registered Municipal Historic Resources in the Village.

1. THE OLD VILLAGE GARAGE; 2. THE HOLDEN MUSEUM; 3. THE LUTHERAN CHURCH BUILDING THAT IS NOW THE GALLERY; 4. THE HOLDEN CENOTAPH.

A plaque was installed on each of these buildings and structures stating the designation and the date. Once the Municipal Historic Resource designation is completed the site is nominated by the Heritage Resources Committee for inclusion on the Alberta Register of Historic Places <https://hermis.alberta.ca/arhp/>. Once listed on this register, the property owner is eligible to submit an application to the province for Historic Resource Conservation funding through the Heritage Preservation Partnership Program of the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation <https://www.alberta.ca/listing-historic-resources.aspx>.

Does your property have Heritage value and would you like to have it designated as a Municipal Heritage Resource? If so, please contact our committee by talking to CAO Rosemary Offrey at the Village Office to get more information and to start the process. Remember that designations can't happen unless they are requested by the property owner. The Heritage Resources Committee can help the property owner with the process.

The current Committee members most of whom have been on the committee since its inception are Christine Mackay, President, Peggy Nahirniak, Vice President, Susan Tymchak, Dave Maruszczyka, Village of Holden Council representative Carl Marsh and Secretary Rosemary Offrey, the Village CAO. We would be happy to welcome new committee members so please let us know if you are interested.

April 2, 2026  
Streaming  
11:00 a.m

# 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.



Join this hands-on STEM adventure  
Online workshops

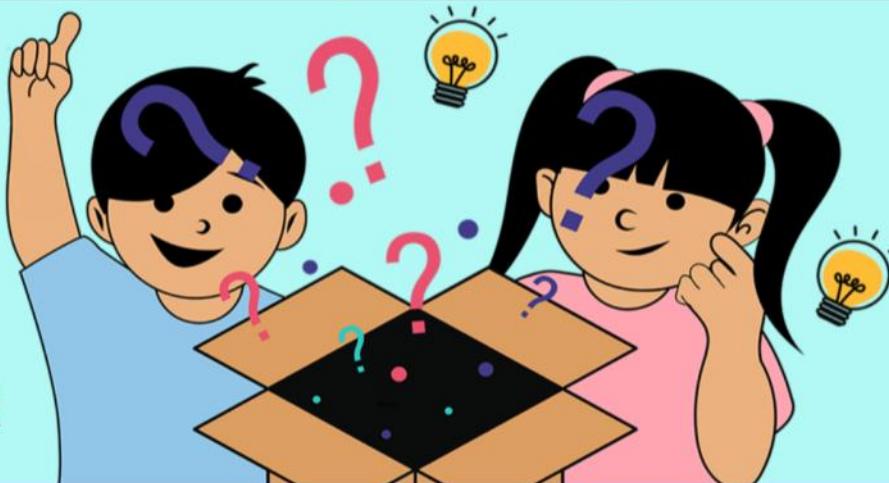
On the day of the workshop, you'll connect with your presenter and begin your journey into the exciting world of STEM.

**To Register:** Holden Library PH: 780-688-3838  
email - [librarian@holdenlibrary.ab.ca](mailto:librarian@holdenlibrary.ab.ca)

Discovery  
Zone!



March 31, 2026  
Streaming  
11:00 a.m



Join us for an action-packed adventure through the discovery zone, where you'll explore colour chromatography, investigate why trees are important to engineers, and create an elastic-powered car. Every great scientist started out as a curious kid!

**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

**COUNTRY**  
**Bottle Depot**

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

5012 - 48 Ave  
Holden

**780 688 3378**  
**780 632 9313** CELL

**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 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 Monday, March 16, 2026.**

**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:**

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



**Website:**

**www.holden.ca**