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HOLDEN  **TIMES**

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Council Meetings : Next Council Meeting is the Organizational and Regular Meeting October 19 at 6pm. Meetings are open to the public to listen in the Village Office or by Zoom.



Village of Holden

Notice

Property Tax Due

Date

**A 12% Penalty will be
added to all Taxes
remaining unpaid at the
close of business on
October 8, 2026**

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

September 2026 Village Notes

September 21, 2026 – Council Meeting Highlights:

- The Northern Lights Library System gave a presentation to Council regarding the benefits of the Village participating in the regional system. The following are the services that were accessed by Holden Residents:
 - 2026 levy cost for this service is \$1,943
 - 2027 levy cost will be \$1,970
 - 186 Library Memberships
 - No wait lists, no limits
 - Many genres available
 - Featuring free access to: kanopy, OverDrive, The Athletic and Hoopla!
- Go East of Edmonton – Council provided a letter of support for their request to become the region's Destination Marketing Organization (DMO).
- National Police Foundation Request for support for their Provincial Call to Action – Council accepted this for information.
- MCSnet Agreement Amendment Request – Council will make a decision on this by November 16, 2026.
- Traffic Bylaw – Council had directed Administration to bring the bylaw to the September meeting. The decision on this bylaw is tabled to the November meeting.

Village News:

- EV Chargers are installed at the rear of the Village Office and on the west side of the Community Hall. These should be functional by October 8, 2026.
- 51 Avenue Upgrades are well underway. The first step in the project should be completed by September 28, 2026. The next step of the project is chip seal and we are waiting for a date.
- Solar Panel Project installation will commence on September 28, 2026.
- New Village entrance sign has been installed at the intersections of Highway 14 and 50 Street.
- Holden Rural Academy is offering free assistance to anyone needing yard work, dog walks, garden help and trash pick-up.



LET US HELP YOU

HOLDEN



C O M M U N I T Y
V O L U N T E E R I S M

yard work, dog walks, garden help, trash pick up.

PLACE

Holden

TIME

2:40-3:50

CONTACT

(780)688-0232

j.hoffman@Holdenra.ca

Available Mondays &
Wednesdays



VIKING/BEAVER FCSS:

HELPING PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES

COURSES, PROGRAMS, & SUPPORTS

Volunteer Income Tax Program

FREE income tax completion for low-income individuals with simple tax solutions.

Low income guidelines:

- 1 person- less than \$35,000 annually
- 2 people-\$45,000 annually
- 3 people- \$47,500 annually
- 4+ people- \$50,000 annually

Simple tax solutions do not include farms, businesses, rental incomes, self-employment, capital gains, bankruptcy or deceased individuals.

Crafting for Wellness

Join a life long crafter and explore the power of ART and CRAFTING as it relates to your health and Wellness!



October 7 & 21
From 2:00-4:00 pm

All ages, levels , ability welcome! Bring your own project, or join us! For more information call Shannon at 780-688-3928 or holdenprogramevbfcss.ca

Bus Rides for medical appointments

Need a ride to a medical appointment?

Subsidies are available for local SENIORS and individuals UNDER 55 with a disability.

***Based on a sliding fee scale**

***Pre-registration required**

Please contact the Holden or Viking office for more information!

Christmas Hamper **Registration now open!**

Viking/Beaver FCSS
Provides hampers to individuals or families in need living in the communities of Kinsella, Viking, Bruce and Holden

Holden Office
holdenprogramevbfcss.ca or call 780-688-3928

Viking Office
780-336-4024 or emailvikingprogramevbfcss.ca

The deadline for Hamper requests is Thursday December 03, 2026

***Non perishable food items or cash/cheque donations can be donated at either VBFCS office in support of the Christmas Hamper program. Thank you in advance for your kindness!**

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

Holden office: MTWT, 1:00-4:30. 4810 50 St. 780-688-3928





ENTER TO WIN

Holden Library open House

Tuesday oct 13, 10:00 am-6:00 pm
Thursday oct 15, 4:00 pm -8:00 pm
Saturday oct. 17 9:00 am -12:00 pm

Come in for some treats
with coffee, tea, hot chocolate
and juice.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

The graphic features a green central box with white text. Above the box, a hand drops a yellow and purple checkered cube into a glass. To the right, an open book is shown. Below the box, a stack of books is on the left, and a tray of pastries and a cup of coffee are on the right. Decorative elements include a green swirl, a yellow star, a pink starburst, a green heart, and a white star.

Run organizers Susan Tymchak and Christine Mackay are happy to report another successful Terry Fox Run in Holden. Participation was up and an amazing amount of \$2,800.00 was raised.

Thanks to those who walked and to everyone for their sponsorship.



The Holden Economic Development Committee (EDC) believes that Holden's "heart" lies within its volunteers. After all, any village or community relies on volunteers for all the "extras" and Holden is no exception. To profile and honour Holden's amazing cadre of volunteers, the EDC is highlighting a volunteer per month to introduce the community to the people with heart that make our village a better place to live.

Meet Patience White

Patience began volunteering soon after moving to our village in 2021. Patience uses her energy to volunteer and support the Holden Museum, the Music Jam, the Beaverhill Players, and she delivers the Holden Times in all kinds of weather, throughout the year, to those who can't make it to the Village Office to pick up a copy. Why does Patience volunteer? She believes in helping the community, she loves to meet people, and she trusts that the efforts of volunteers supporting Holden's organizations will keep them open and thriving. Plus, it makes her feel good and keeps her busy.

Thank you, Patience, for all you do in your volunteer work.



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janetolson.ca





Shuffleboard Tournament!

When: October 20, 21 and 22

Where: Holden Senior Club

Who: Any adult who likes to play shuffleboard, or anyone who wants to try it!

Why: Because it's fun, sociable, and inexpensive plus, there's great food!

Register with Rosemarie at 780 632-9940

**The Holden Legion No. 56
sincerely thanks Claystone
Waste for their generous
support of the annual pig roast.
This year's event was a huge
success -- thank you
CLAYSTONE!**

MUSIC JAM / KARAOKE

HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL

4919 - 49 Ave.

HOLDEN, AB



SUNDAY OCTOBER 18/2026

Music Jam 1 PM

Karaoke 4 PM

Admission - \$ 5 per person

Musicians - No Charge

Come Dance/Listen to the Music



Light lunch available

Concession



For more info:

Beaverhill Players

Dave 780-720-5839

or beaverhillplayers17@gmail.com

MUSICIANS & SPECTATORS WELCOME

Join us for a

HALLOWEEN FAMILY DANCE

Friday, October 30

Holden Community Hall

6pm-7:30pm

FREE TO EVERYONE

Concession Open
with food

Join us for a spooktacular
evening of dancing and music!

Hosted by Holden Community
Hall Association

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
			
4 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	5	6 <u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm	2
11 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13 <u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm	
18 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Music Jam & Karaoke</u> 1pm and 4pm, Hall	19 <u>Org. and Regular Council Meeting</u> 6pm, Office	20 <u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>ShuffleBoard Tournament</u>	<u>FCS</u> 2
25 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	26	27 <u>Library Open</u> 10am-6pm <u>NU2U2 Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Senior Center</u> 1:30pm	

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	3 <u>Gallery & NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm
7 <u>FCSS</u> <u>Crafting</u> 2-4pm, Hall	8 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	9 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm Large Item Pick up	10 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery & NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm →
14	15 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	16 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	17 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery & NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm
21 <u>FCSS Crafting</u> 2-4pm, Hall	22 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	23 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm	24 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery & NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm
28	29 <u>Library Open</u> 4-8pm	30 <u>Gallery Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Halloween Family</u> <u>Dance</u> 6-7:30pm, Hall <u>Halloween Teen</u> <u>Dance</u> 7:30-9:30pm, Hall	31 <u>Library Open</u> 9am-12pm <u>Gallery & NU2U2</u> <u>Open</u> 12-4pm <u>Hallowe'en Tea</u> 2-4pm, Senior Center

Join us for a

HALLOWEEN TEENAGE DANCE

Friday, October 30

**Teenage Dance: 7:30pm - 9:30pm
@ the Holden Community Hall**

**TICKETS \$10, includes dessert and a
printed photo from the photo area.**

Concession Available!!

**Prize for best costume &
Prize for best group costume**

**Hosted by The Holden Community Hall
Association**



Hallowe'en Tea

**Saturday, October 31st at the Senior
Club**

Pie a la mode with coffee or tea

2:00 –4:00 PM

Admission: \$7.00

Everyone welcome



**HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS**

COMMUNITY TURKEY SUPPER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

HOLDEN COMMUNITY HALL

5:00 - 7:30pm

Ages 13 - Adults: \$30

Ages 6 - 12: \$15

5 and Under: Free



The Beaverhill Players Society

presents

ROCK BOTTOM

BY PETER PAYLOR

Produced by special arrangement with the Playwrights Guild of Canada



Get your
tickets

by Friday, Nov. 6.

Call or text Dave

780-720-5839

or email

beaverhillplayers17

@gmail.com

Mad Platter *Catering*

*gluten free options available, request with ticket

\$55 supper & show

\$25 show only

Saturday, Nov. 14, 2026

Doors open 5:30pm, supper served 6pm, 7pm start

Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026

Doors open 1:30pm, show starts 2pm, supper to follow



Alberta
Foundation
for the Arts

at the Holden Community Hall

4919-49 Ave, Holden, AB



HOLDEN CHRISTMAS MARKET

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

Saturday, November 28

**11 AM - 3 PM
FREE ENTRY**

Holden Community Hall
4919 - 49 Ave, HOLDEN

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



JOIN BEAVER COUNTY POND HOCKEY

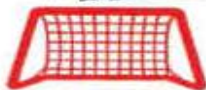
*Looking for a fun,
low-pressure way for
your child to play hockey?*

Beaver County Pond Hockey is a recreational hockey club that runs on **Monday nights at the Holden Arena.**

This program is geared toward kids who want to have fun, learn, and play hockey, but don't want—or aren't able—to make the commitment required for regular hockey.



Each practice includes:



30 MINUTES
OF DRILLS AND
SKILL DEVELOPMENT



30 MINUTES
OF SCRIMMAGE AND
GAME PLAY



**PLAY GAMES AGAINST OTHER
POND HOCKEY LEAGUES**
about once a month!



Kids ages 6-16

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

For more details and registration:

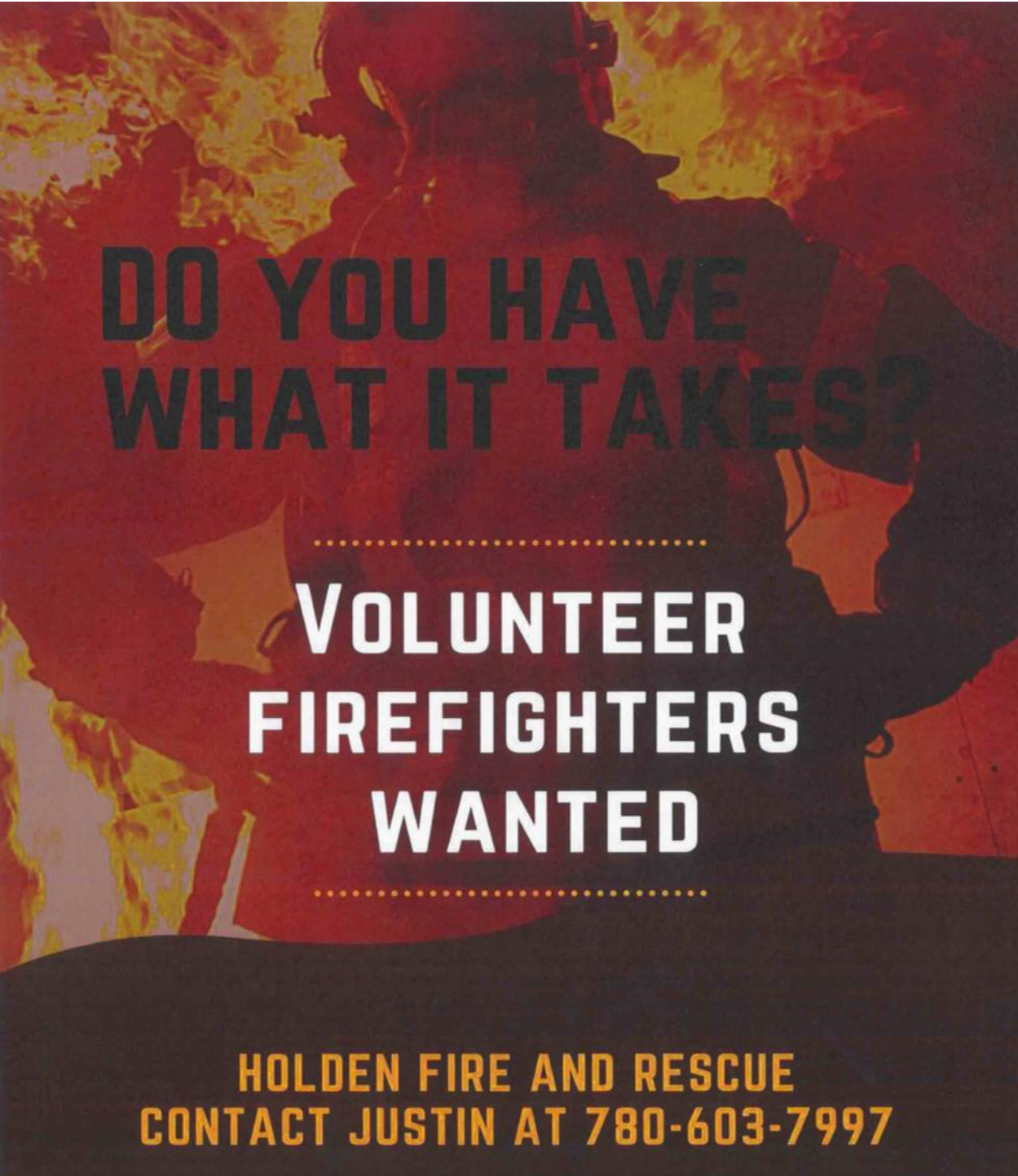


Check out our Facebook Group -
Beaver County Pond Hockey

or email
beavercountypondhockey@hotmail.com



Scan here
to access the
registration
form!



**DO YOU HAVE
WHAT IT TAKES?**

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**VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTERS
WANTED**

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**HOLDEN FIRE AND RESCUE
CONTACT JUSTIN AT 780-603-7997**

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 Michele at 780-983-5700

HOLDEN HOTEL

587-415-8656 or 780-782-8055

GROCERY STORE

Hours: 10:00 am to 8 :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



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 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, October 19, 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: Monday, October 12, 2026 for
Thanksgiving Day.

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



Website:

www.holden.ca