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Return this completed coupon to NDTC to be eligible for the next drawing. Congratulations to Keith Nistler from Devils Lake, ND! He was the winner of the credit from the Spring newsletter issue.

Name ____

Phone # ____

What year did Flair Boutique and Coffee open?___

l understand my full name and my city of residence will be listed in the next newsletter if my name is drawn.

NOTES FROM THE General Manager

TeeJay Kurtz // NDTC General Manager

ummer is here, and with it comes an exciting and productive construction season. Thanks to a mild winter, we were fortunate to get an early start on projects this year—just a couple of weeks ahead of schedule. That early start allowed our crews to begin placing facilities for customers who had been waiting for service, and burying fiber drops that have been temporarily placed above ground during the winter months. It's always a relief to resume construction and continue building the reliable infrastructure our customers depend on.

Currently, we are preparing for a couple of major fiber upgrade projects between Harvey and Drake and Harvey to Balta. The existing facilities connecting these areas are still very reliable and date back to the early 1990s. We're excited to update these sections of our network with fiber that will have capacity for needs of the future. Most of this work will take place in private rights-of-way. We are working with Finley Engineering on this project, and they have already been in contact with landowners who may be affected. If you have any questions about this project or would like more details, we encourage you to reach out to our office—we're happy to help.

In addition, we've been working with apartment owners in Harvey, Rugby, and Devils Lake to bring fiber directly into each individual unit. This is part of our long-term goal



to retire older copper telephone cables and ensure every resident has access to fast, reliable fiber broadband. We sincerely appreciate the cooperation and communication from building owners, managers, and tenants throughout this process.

Lastly, as summer construction and landscaping projects ramp up, we'd like to remind everyone—if you're planning to add on to your home, build a fence, or even plant a tree, please call North Dakota One Call at 811 before you dig. It's the best way to prevent damage to buried utility lines and ensure everyone's safety.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in NDTC. We're proud to serve our community and look forward to keeping you connected all year long.

1ee Jay Kurtz

General Manager/CEO, NDTC



July is Ransomware Awareness Month Scan for Protection Tips



// SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT Flair Boutique & Coffee

estled in the heart of New Rockford, Flair Boutique & Coffee offers an extraordinary combination of fashion and relaxation, making it a cherished destination for locals and visitors alike. Flair has become a community favorite by seamlessly blending the joy of browsing stylish, high-quality apparel with the comfort of savoring a freshly brewed cup of coffee in a welcoming atmosphere.

Upon stepping inside, you're greeted by the warm, inviting ambiance and an impressive selection of women's clothing,



jewelry, home décor, and baby items, along with other thoughtfully curated products. Each piece is handpicked for its quality, unique appeal, and affordability. Whether you're looking for the perfect outfit for a special occasion or a charming item to add personality to your home, Flair has something for everyone. The boutique's inventory is constantly updated, ensuring fresh finds with every visit.

Owner Emma Myhre and her courteous team are dedicated to providing an exceptional shopping experience. The boutique currently employs three local high school students, while offering meaningful job opportunities since it opened in June 2022. The staff's friendly personalities and keen eye for fashion ensure that every customer feels welcome and leaves with something they love. Their advice and personalized recommendations make every visit memorable.

Shopping at Flair is only half the experience. Once you've found the perfect fashion pieces or gifts, you can unwind in the cozy coffee corner or lounge area designed for relaxation and conversation. The coffee shop features a wide range of beverages to cater to every taste. From expertly brewed lattes and mochas to flavorful Red Bull stingers, chai teas, refreshing smoothies, and delightful seasonal drinks, the menu is packed with options. The inviting seating areas, with comfortable benches and tables, make Flair a great spot to catch up with friends, meet with colleagues, or even enjoy a quiet moment with your favorite drink. Whether you're on



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Emma Myhre - Owner

the go or have time to relax, Flair's coffee corner adds a touch of warmth to the shopping experience.

Flair Boutique & Coffee thrives in the digital age by seamlessly leveraging modern technology to enhance its operations and community engagement. With fast and reliable broadband internet service from NDTC, Flair efficiently manages its online store, **the-flair-boutique.com**, processes transactions, and stays in touch with suppliers. "All of my computers, registers, and iPads use the internet daily," says Myhre. "We need the speed to be fast for our registers to keep up with our point-of-sale system. I've never had a problem with the internet, and I've had it since I started Flair. It has been great to work with NDTC, knowing that I can always count on them and their services working the way they should be." NDTC takes pride in powering small businesses like Flair, helping them succeed while contributing to the vitality of rural communities.

Flair is more than just a store or a café. It's a community hub where fashion and relaxation meet. The boutique embodies the spirit of local culture and provides a welcoming space for all. The next time you're in need of a new wardrobe addition, a stylish gift, or a cozy spot to enjoy coffee, be sure to visit Flair Boutique & Coffee. It's a place where style meets comfort, and everyone is welcome.





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Call us at 701.662.1100, share how our services have benefited you or the people in your area, and you may be featured in our Community Focus!

FRS Scholarship 😃

he Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) is a nonprofit founded in 1994 by NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association to support rural telecom providers, consumers, and policymakers through education and resources. Their initiatives focus on rural challenges and successes, emphasizing the importance of investing in these communities.

The FRS Scholarship Program awards one-time scholarships to rural students starting college, university, or vocationaltechnical school. Partnering with NTCA, member companies match \$500 per recipient. In 2025, FRS awarded \$160,500 to 50 students nationwide. NDTC proudly announces Camilynne Walters of Cando, ND, as a 2025 FRS Scholarship recipient. Camilynne, daughter of Scott and Sherry Walters, will attend NDSU to major in nursing.

The foundation also supports rural communities through its FRS Community Grant Program. Each November, grants ranging from \$250 to \$5,000 are awarded toward projects in business, community development, education, and telecommunications. NDTC is excited to share that the Lake Region Public Library received funds to upgrade the technology in its Community Room.



For more information on what the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) offers, go to frs.org.



DMCA POLICY It's The Law

tealing music or movies online is just as illegal as stealing physical copies from a store. The Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA), enacted in 1998, protects copyrighted content like movies, music, and books. Downloading or sharing such content without permission breaks the law—even if you didn't realize it.

Examples of Infringement:

- Sharing copyrighted material with others
- Uploading digital copies from CDs
- Sending copyrighted files via messaging apps

Rule of Thumb:

If you would normally pay for it, it's likely protected by copyright.

NDTC & DMCA Compliance:

As your internet provider, NDTC must respond to copyright violations by notifying you or disabling access to infringing content. These terms are part of your broadband agreement at gondtc.com/policies.

Penalties:

Fines from \$500-\$250,000 and/or up to 5 years in prison.

Bottom Line:

Think twice before downloading copyrighted material.

// 2025 Scholarship Recipients

NDTC is thrilled to celebrate 26 years of supporting local students through our scholarship program! This year, we are proud to award \$1,000 scholarships to ten exceptional high school seniors. These students, whose families live in the NDTC service area and subscribe to our services, are now on their way to pursuing their education at accredited colleges or vocational schools.

Congratulations to the following scholarship recipients—we wish them much success in their future endeavors!



Cole Anderson

Ruaby Hiah

School

Steve Anderson



Kinsey Arnston

High School

Chris & Brenda Arnston



Jorie Ahlberg

North Star Public School

Daniel & Kristin Ahlberg

Holdyn Jacobson

Leeds High School

Jeff & Kristen Jacobson



Jessie Monsebroten

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Kyle Volson

Drake-Anamoose High School

Ralph & Wendy Volson



Zack Volson

Drake-Anamoose High School

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Applications for the 2026 scholarships will open in December 2025. For details and to apply, visit: GoNDTC.com/scholarships





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