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# Happy Retirement to Diane McNamara

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Diane McNamara, Secretary to the CEO retired as of March 31st, 2015. For four decades, Diane has been at her post with the Airport providing necessary support for airport administration as well as customer service and favors to the entire airport community. On March 19th, 2015 a retirement celebration was held at the Arrival Lounge of the Greater Sudbury Airport in her honor. It was attended by family, colleagues and guests. Diane is a wonderful person that will be greatly missed at the Sudbury Airport.

Wishing you all the best in your retirement!



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#### Public Announcements!

## Spring Cleanup is getting underway



News, news, news ... The Greater Sudbury Airport and FedNor held a press conference at the Sudbury Airport Arrivals Lounge as MP Greg Rickford announced \$7 million in funding for several projects in the nickel city. Most notably, the airport received \$1 million to support the construction of a six-storey, 34,000-square-foot hangar, which will also house Discovery Air Service and a lake quality research project conducted by the Northern Ontario School of Medicine. In addition, there were a number of other initiatives announced, all investing in community development, business growth and innovation ... a wide spectrum of entrepreneurial activities.

# Doing the FOD walk

Our Operations Dept has something approaching a "spring clean" in the works as they get ready to scour the YSB apron for FOD. FOD is an aviation acronym that stands for **Foreign Object Debris**, which is any loose object on the airside such as small pieces of plastic, bits of suitcases, luggage tags, screws etc. While a small luggage tag might sound harmless, this type of debris on the apron can cause serious damage to aircraft, and pose a safety risk. The purpose of the **FOD Walk** is to heighten the awareness of **FOD** and its impact on **aviation safety**. **Our crews will scour YSB aprons** for **FOD**. Thank you guys for keeping everyone safe!

### Coming soon!





Now that the weather is getting nicer, the snow is melting, temperature rising, the days are getting longer and spring cleanup is getting underway. It's the time when people normally clean out their homes ... but should we be considering a spring-cleaning program for the office? A green, organized and clutter-free office goes beyond aesthetics and can actually help clear the mind, improve health and increase productivity among employees.

#### HERE ARE FIVE COMPELLING REASONS:

- Researchers at Princeton found that a cluttered environment restricts ability to focus and limits the brain's ability to process information. It can also be a health hazard. Did you know that an average work desk harbors 400 times more bacteria than an average toilet seat?
- Look at the desks in your office: How many wasted sheets of paper do you see? According to Loyola University Maryland, the average worker uses about 10,000 sheets of paper each year. That's about 2 lbs. of paper each day...resulting in a lot of clutter and a lot of wasted money. Consider using more digital or web-based HR, workflow and collaboration tools to eliminate paper waste.
- Replacing that old desktop calculator with a plant can boost cognition and task performance, according to a series of Norwegian studies. In fact, making sure "pockets of green" appear throughout the office may help enhance self-control, inhibit aggression and boost mental focus for your entire staff.
- Dust mites may be causing more sick days among your employees than necessary. According to the American Lung Association, mites can cause asthma, chronic rhinitis and respiratory problems. Besides maintaining a clean office, keep humidity in check and vacuum to keep dust (and dust mites) at bay.
- Don't think your office has a dust problem? Check your computer fan vents. Computers are a magnet for dust which can, in turn, act as an insulator blocking air and heat from escaping. Essentially, dust can make your office equipment sick too.

This spring, we can look forward to a repainting of the entire Air Terminal Building that will get underway mid April. Our maintenance crew will be undertaking the bulk of the work. We look forward to the end results!

As well, we have planned a renovation of both men and women's public washroom on the ATB's main floor. This will be a complete renovation with new stalls, countertops and mirrors. Looking forward to the new look!

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