Dealing with Difficult People (presented by Umesh Vig)
Difficult! What is that? Who amongst us think that he/she is not a difficult person? Sometimes we wish that we had a magic wand and we will make all conflict and difficult people vanish in a poof! We all have the potential to be either difficult or extremely difficult people/leaders/managers/employees/colleagues/customers. Or we at one time or another are dealing with or have dealt with a difficult person. This interactive workshop is aimed at understanding difficult people & difficult behaviors and various strategies to deal with difficult people within our organizations.

Running a Productive Meeting (presented by Deb Colucci)
Do you dread going to or planning meetings? Why? Meetings are often perceived as an interruption of the to-do list; but actually they are key to organizational communication. Let’s get together and talk about how to make meetings more effective, efficient, and productive.

Guide to Applying for Promotion (presented by Deb Wilson, Peter Poulos and Paula Cook)
Learn more about the process of applying for promotion in this information workshop.

Love What You Do and Help Others Do the Same (presented by Lois Coleman)
A presentation and exchange based on the simple idea that when you love what you do, it shows and can influence others in unexpected ways. In fact, the idea for the workshop emerged from a casual conversation about joy and work. This workshop is an opportunity to explore (fairly unscientifically) the dynamics underlying our work, our lives, and our connections with others when we love what we do.

Servant-Leader: It’s All About the Hyphen! (presented by Elaine Wiatr)
This workshop offers an introduction to the concepts of Servant-Leadership and its application to our personal and professional lives. We will explore how the words “servant” and “leader” are connected and create a Mobius strip to use as a tool for understanding how our inner and outer lives are integrated.

Educational Ethics (presented by Brian Cleary)
Are you guided by moral principles as an educator? What are they? What about the moral principles that guide our students? Join for a discussion with brief case studies and “thought experiments” about ethics in education. You may go away with more questions than answers, but so it goes in the study of Ethics!

Community Colleges and MCC – Who We Are (presented by Duncan Harris and David Nielsen) Rescheduled! Watch for new date
Participants will hear about the history and rise of community colleges in the USA, and their current role in our system of higher education. We will then provide information about MCC’s students, programs, and outcome measures, with comparisons to other colleges and universities for context. We’ll also look at some of the challenges MCC is facing.
Leadership and Effective Supervision (presented by Deb Colucci)
Not all leaders are supervisors; but all supervisors should be leaders. This discussion will focus on the differences and similarities of leadership and supervision...as well as the skills necessary to be effective.

One Way to Look at Things...Lee Bolman's Framing Theory (presented by G. Duncan Harris)
Lee Bolman has authored numerous texts and is considered one preeminent theorist on the topics of leadership, organizational effectiveness, workplace ethics and professional development. His text entitled, Reframing Organizations: Artistry, Choice and Leadership (2008) is required reading for many leadership and management training program. This session will review the concepts contained in Bolman’s Framing Theory and discuss application along with use of this theory in the context of the work we do at MCC.

Servant-Leadership: Are you Listening? Are you REALLY Listening? (presented by Elaine Wiatr)
This workshop will explore 'deep listening' as a tool for communication and its importance in becoming an effective leader. An inventory of how well we listen will be administered and discussed. Small group activities will give you an opportunity to practice your listening skills.

Guide to Applying for Tenure (presented by Deb Wilson)
Learn more about the process of applying for tenure in this information workshop.

New! Lunch & Learn Series
We know you have so little time to take advantage of new learning opportunities but we do know you have to eat...so why not put the two together. Our Lunch N’ Learn series are an informal gathering (bring your lunch) and are a great way to share in-house knowledge.

iPad User Group – 1st Monday of Every Month (facilitated by Sandra Rimetz)
Join your colleagues with your iPads (and smart phones) to learn about apps and tools to make you a more productive device user.

Suicide Prevention on Campus (presented by Joe Navarra)
Come learn about three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to persuade, and refer someone to help.

Do you have an idea for our Lunch & Learn Series?
Are you presenting at a conference or workshop and would like to “practice” your presentation with your colleagues?
Do you have a hobby that you think others would be interesting in?
Contact Sandra Rimetz or Deb Colucci Today!