# Mentoring is...

Mentoring is a partnership.

Mentoring is 'the act of helping another learn.'

Difference between a Mentor, Coach and Supervisor

- A mentor is like a sounding board.
- A coach is trying to direct a person to some end result.
- A supervisor's ultimate responsibility is to make sure the job gets done.

Mentoring Requires Four Core Competencies

- ◆ Surrendering
- Accepting
- ◆ Gifting
- ◆ Extending

Core Competencies cont'd.

- Surrendering
   the process of leveling the playing field
- Accepting the act of inclusion
- Giftingthe act of generosity
- Extending
   to push the relationship beyond its
   expected boundaries

Matching the Mentor and the Protégé

Know your career anchor.

What personal attributes do you bring to the mentoring relationship?

The Value of Mentoring

Mentor Protégé

Learn new things about yourself

Acquire new knowledge

Make more of your strengths; exploit your hidden talents

Satisfaction of passing on knowledge

Career satisfaction

Expanding your personal network

What does it take to be a mentor?

♦ Interest

◆ Commitment

◆ Confidence

What does it take to be a great protégé?

- ◆ Identify your goals for the mentoring relationship.
- ◆Take a look around
- Approach your potential mentor

How Can a Mentor Prepare

Assess your experiences

Assess the protégé's needs

#### Five Tips for Being a Great Mentor

- ◆ Encourage your protégé to communicate openly.
- Set firm guidelines and expectations from the beginning.
- Provide clear performance measures.
- Practice active listening.

#### Must Guidelines for a Protégé

- Listen
- ◆ Implement, act on advice, put things into effect
- Have a willingness, desire, and commitment to learn and grow
- Be open-minded, willing to change and be coachable
- ◆ Check your ego at the door ask for and be open to feedback and criticism

#### Mentoring

#### Activities to Help the Protégé Grow

Mentor a junior employee

**Special Assignments** 

Formal Training

Give Presentations

**Attend Conferences** 

Teach a course

Join a Professional Society

Read To enhance knowledge

#### The Gift of Mentoring Building Partnerships for Learning

"Mentoring is an honor.

Except for love, there is no greater

gift one can give another than the gift

of growth."

Chip R. Bell Author
Managers as Mentors

#### **Developing Leadership Skills**

#### Helpful Resources

Managers as Mentors by Chip Bell

Making Feedback by Joe Folkman, Ph.D.

Mentor Manager, Mentor Parent by Linda Culp Dowling and Cecile Culp Mielenz, Ph.D.

Novations, Strategies for Career Management by Gene Dalton and Paul Thompson

Soul Work
Finding the Work You Love, Loving the Work You Have
By Deborah P. Bloch and Lee J. Richmond