

**Marketplace of Ideas Opening the Doors of Opportunity Conference**  
**Thursday, February 4, 2010, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
**Fort Berthold Community College, New Town, ND**

**FEATURED SPEAKERS**

**KEVIN FINLEY**



Kevin Finley is currently the head boy's basketball coach at Mandaree High School. He is a graduate of New Town High School and the University of Mary in Bismarck, ND. Kevin volunteers for various community outreach programs, and has four years experience as an addiction/youth counselor. He has served as a program manager/administrator for the past 15 years, has 23 years of coaching experience and has moved many students/athletes on to higher learning in colleges and universities while being a Collegiate Instructor, Athletic Director, and Basketball Coach for nine years at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, ND. Kevin is Cambridge's "Who's Who" in the United States Among Associates and Professionals. He earned the AIHEC "Educator of the Year" award, and is a 4-time NJCAA Region 13 coach of the year, a 3-time NJCAA District 11 coach of the year, and a 3-time NJCAA National Finals coaches' award recipient.

**SCOTT DAVIS**



Scott J. Davis was appointed Executive Director of the ND Indian Affairs Commission in April, 2009 by Governor John Hoeven. In his position, Davis serves as a liaison between North Dakota's state and tribal governments to address issues regarding education, business, economic development, transportation, wellness, veterans and youth.

Prior to his appointment, Davis served in a number of capacities at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, including Development Officer, Wellness Activities Coordinator, Facilitator and Adjunct Instructor for Introduction to Wellness. He also served as Culture Committee Chairman and PowWow Committee Member and worked with the Student Senate and all campus departments to actively pursue fundraising efforts in the private sector to advance the programs and activities at the college.

Davis also worked for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe on environmental quality issues and as a teacher's aide at the Pierre Indian Learning Center and Turtle Mountain Community High School. In addition, he worked as a sales consultant for Northern Documents, a West Fargo company that produces labeling and bar coding products for private and public groups.

Davis holds an Associate of Arts Degree from Haskell Indian Junior College, and a Bachelor's and Master's of Management Degree from the University of Mary. He is a member of the Standing Rock Lakota Hunkpapa/Turtle Mountain Chippewa.

**RUSSELL MASON, JR**



Russell Mason, Jr. currently serves as president of Fort Berthold Community College. He started his career in 1986 at FBCC as the Registrar and Admissions Director. He has held various positions at FBCC including Financial Aid Director and Dean of Students prior to becoming President in October, 2004.

Rusty is an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes and is a home town graduate of New Town High School. He received his undergraduate degrees from Haskell Indian Nations University, Lawrence, KS and the University of Mary, Bismarck, ND. He also received his Masters degree from the University of Mary.

Rusty and his wife Bev, (Seminole/Cheyenne) have three children. His hobbies include camping, hunting and fishing along the shores of Lake Sacagawea.

Rusty is committed to the vision and mission of the college, is extremely proud of the FBCC family of students, staff and faculty, and looks forward to the continued growth of the college.