

Title:	Transcript of Address given by WO Sheldon Quinn before the Royal Niagara Military Institute, 2017		
Creator:	Sheldon Quinn		
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Summary of Contents:	1 typewritten speech outlining Sheldon Quinn's years in the Canadian Armed Forces as well as the Aboriginal contribution to Canada's war effort as far back as the War of 1812.		
Physical Description / Condition:	Typed transcript of a speech with some corrections made in pen.		
Administrative/ Biographical Sketch	<p>Sheldon Quinn joined the Canadian Armed Forces in the beginning of 1990. He went to Wainwright, Alberta to be educated at the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) Battle School. His first posting was with the 2nd battalion PPCLI. In 1993, the battalion was deployed to Croatia. This was supposed to be a peacekeeping tour, but it turned into actual combat in the south. For their actions, the unit was presented with the newly created Governor General's Commander in Chief Unit Citation.</p> <p>In the following years, Sheldon was deployed on 3 tours to Bosnia. Sheldon was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2006. The battalion was deployed to Afghanistan in 2008. It was in 2010 that he was asked to be an instructor in the Bold Eagle Program. This program is geared toward giving Aboriginal youth a taste of the military through the same program that any recruit would go through. In 2012, he became a Warrant Officer. He went back to Afghanistan in 2013. At this time he was deployed as the Platoon Second in command. He brought all his troops home without injury.</p> <p>The Bold Eagle Program is one of three Aboriginal summer programs geared at giving Aboriginal youth experience in the military. Warrant Officer Quinn is extremely proud of this program. Whether or not the participants became part of the military, they have taken the discipline and</p>		

	<p>military principles and applied them to their everyday lives. Warrant Officer Quinn admits that he didn't have much exposure to the Aboriginal culture when he was young. He came to find out later in life, that in 1876, his Great Grandfather put his mark on Treaty Six for Saddle Lake Cree Nation at Fort Pitt, Saskatchewan. Warrant Officer Quinn is a member of Saddle Creek Cree Nation in the Treaty 6 Territory of NE Alberta. He also received training to become one of six Eagle Staff Carriers in the Canadian Armed Forces.</p>		
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