

Memo

To: Mayor and Hayden City Council

From: Suzanne Cano, Recreation and Community Events Director

Date: October 24, 2025

Agenda Item: Approval of the Veterans Commission Recommendation for the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony Guest Speaker

Agenda Item Location

Consent Calendar

Recommended Action or Motion

The Veterans Commission requests approval of the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony Guest Speaker they have recommended for 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony.

Summary

The Veterans Commission received a Speaker Information Request form from Michael Quinn, Vice Commandant Marine Corps League. They are recommending approval of Michael Quinn as the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony. Attached is the speaker information request form with the speech synopsis for your review. The complete speech will be submitted no later than ten days prior to the ceremony.

Functional Impact of Authorizing

Approval of the guest speaker is critical to complete the Veterans Commission's planning efforts for the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony being held on November 11 at 11:00 a.m. at McIntire Family Park.

Functional Impact of Not Authorizing

If not approved, the Veterans Commission will need to start the process of attempting to secure a Veterans Day address speaker, which will be very difficult given the very tight timeline.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact involves purchasing a thank-you plaque for the guest speaker, which costs approximately \$50.00.

Budget Funding Source / Transfer Request

The cost of this plaque is paid out of the Veterans Commission budget, GL# 110-111-58008 and is a normal expense for the Commission each year.

Attachment

Michael Quinn Speaker Information Request with Speech Synopsis and Biography





SPEAKER INFORMATION REQUEST

GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME (as should appear in all publications and ceremony program):
MILITARY BRANCH/RANK/SERVICE YEARS OR TITLE: USMC SGT
If not in the military, please explain your relationship to the military?:
MAILING ADDRESS: 174 E. WEIDER AUE \$29 CDA ID 83815
EMAIL ADDRESS:
CEREMONY-RELATED INFORMATION:
TITLE OF THE SPEECH: VETERAND DAY - A LOOK
CONTENT OF SPEECH: (Criteria: Speech needs to relate to the military, be family-friendly, not graphic or explicit, 10-15 minute max, full speech will be submitted at least 10 days before the ceremony)
LOGISTICS
Besides a microphone, what AV needs do you have?





SPEAKER INFORMATION REQUEST (CONTINUED)

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We kindly ask that this completed form to be submitted within one week after receiving this request to Isabelle White, Veterans Commission Clerk, at iwhite@haydenid.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Isabelle White at (208) 209-1080. Thank you!

MICHAEL QUINN VETERANS DAY ADDRESS SYNOPSIS

TITLE: VETERANS DAY – A LOOK

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Thank You and Honor Veterans
- History of Veterans Day
- Meaning of Veterans Day and Distinction from Memorial Day
- Recognize Our Freedom is a Gift Paid for by the Service of Others
- Support Veterans Year-Round

BIOGRAPHY

Michael J Quinn joined the Marine Corp in his final year of high school, serving as a Field Radio Operator attached to the 1st Recon Battalion, and remains a proud member of Force Recon Association today. He was stationed throughout the Pacific and the United States.

Following his Marine Corp stint, Michael returned to Coeur d'Alene Idaho, and served as a Reserve Police office before starting his own business as a Jeweler and Coin Dealer.

Michael has been an active member of the Marine Corp League for over 20 years serving as Commandant, among other positions, prior to transferring to the Pappy Boyington Detachment in Coeur d'Alene 9 years ago, where he is currently serving as the Dept of Idaho Commandant, in charge of 7 Detachments.

The Coeur d'Alene Pappy Boyington Detachment is comprised of 170 plus members who provide support for current and former Marines. They provide scholarships for children, help sponsor Young Marines, and every year, have an exceptional focus on Toys for Tots.

Michael was proud to serve his country during his military years and continues to serve his community including as a current member of Masons, Elks Lodge, Eagles, American Legion and the Fraternal Order of Police.