

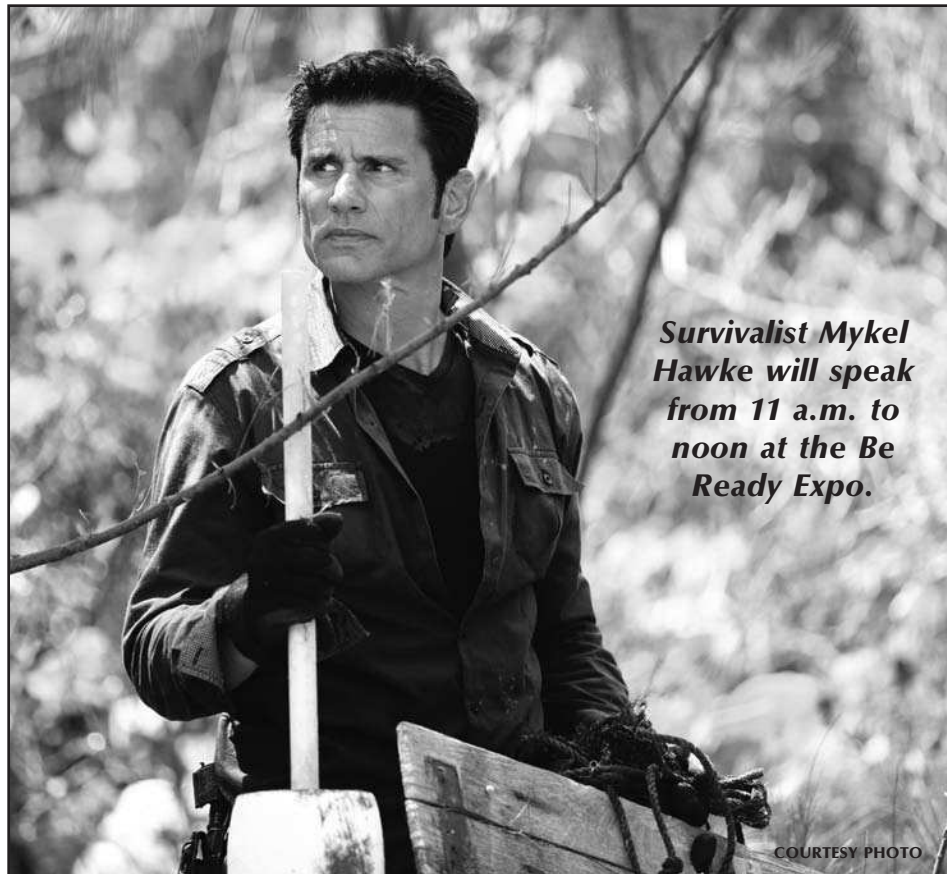
# The importance of survival skills

**M**YKEL HAWKE is a US Army Special Forces Green Beret combat veteran with over 20 years of combined military, government contracting and survival experience.

He is the star of The Travel Channel's series "Lost Survivors" and formerly starred in Discovery Channel's hit shows, "Man Woman Wild" and "One Man Army," as well as The Outdoor Channel's "Elite Tactical Unit."

Hawke is the bestselling author of a language book, two critically acclaimed survival manuals including "Hawke's Special Forces Survival Handbook," and has a new survival book and kit for kids. He is also co-author of the Jake Tyler thriller series, which is based on his personal experiences.

Hawke supports veterans and veterans causes as well as many humanitarian organizations.



*Survivalist Mykel Hawke will speak from 11 a.m. to noon at the Be Ready Expo.*

Hawke began his career in 1982. He first served on Active Duty, then in Army reserves and in the National Guard. Hawke was a sergeant first class as a special forces medic, special forces communicator and special forces operations and intelligence sergeant. He recently retired from the US Army Reserves with over 25 years of total service and 12 years on active duty.

He retired as a special forces captain, also known as a Green Beret Officer. He was assigned in a billet for Major, to US Army Special Forces Command (USASFC) located at Fort Bragg, NC, home of the Green Berets, before he retired in 2011.

As a sergeant, Hawke was a jump master, earned numerous foreign jump wings and, for a short period, he was a recruiter for special operations (Psyops and Civil Affairs) in the reserves.

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