

Survival expert Tom Brown Jr. to give talk in Hackettstown

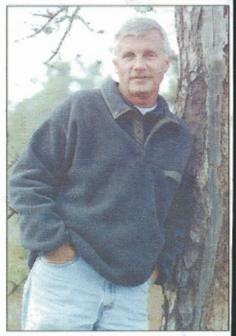
HACKETTSTOWN—Tom Brown Jr., one of the leading authorities on the outdoors and wilderness survival, and a

consultant to the movie industry, will speak at Centenary College in Hackettstown on Thursday, Sept. 18, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Brown, who runs the internationally acclaimed Tracker School in Asbury and is the author of 17 books, will speak about his experiences in survival situations. He will also be available to sign books. The event, which will be held in the Whitney Chapel, is free and open to the public.

Brown and his school are often

featured on news and entertainment shows, where Brown's expertise in dealing with survival situations, in the wilderness and elsewhere, is the focus. In addition, Brown has been featured in dozens of major magazines and newspapers, such as Outside Magazine, Field & Stream, Sports Illustrated and Newsweek.



Tracking expert Tom Brown Jr. will make a special appearance at a Hackettstown venue to speak about his own survival situations on Sept. 18.

He was the technical advisor to the Paramount Pictures recent release, *The Hunted*, starring Tommy Lee Jones and Benecio Del Toro.

One of Brown's more popular books is his "Field Guide to City and Suburban Survival," which outlines ways to deal with an assortment of "everyday" survival situations, including power outages, crime, earthquakes and other disasters.

In 1978, he published the first of his books, "The Tracker," an autobiography of his life. Among his other book credits are "Tom Brown's Field Guide to Wilderness Survival," "Tom Brown's Field Guide to Nature Awareness and Tracking," "The Way of the Scout" and "Grandfather."

Although much of what is taught in Brown's classes is based on the wilderness, many of the skills can be transferred to everyday living.

If anybody knows about the wilderness, it's Brown. The founder of the 25year-old Tracker School, the largest tracking, nature awareness and survival school of its kind, Brown has been exploring the wilderness since he was 7 years old, learning the "trade" from an Apache elder he met while growing up in the New Jersey Pine Barrens.

Stalking Wolf, affectionately referred to as "Grandfather," taught Brown the art of survival, how to track and the ways of nature.

ways of nature. Following Stalking Wolf's death when Brown was 17, he spent the next 10 years living in the wilderness throughout the United States, with no manufactured tools-in most instances not even a knife-perfecting the skills and teachings of Stalking Wolf. Finding that

they were universal skills that could ting, Brown came back to "civilization" looking for people interested in all he had learned.

Unfortunately the response was minimal at first. It wasn't until a local sheriff who knew of Brown and his skills contacted Brown to seek his help in finding a lost person that things changed for the tracker. Brown found the missing person and, in the process, found his path in life.

For the next few years, he earned his reputation as "The Tracker," working with many law enforcement agencies throughout the United States and other countries on cases involving abducted children, lost hunters and hikers and fugitives. To this day, Brown works with many law enforcement agencies, as well as with the military, on various projects.

In March of 1978, Brown opened up the Tracker School, where he has been able to teach thousands of people from all over the world about the wilderness and all it has to offer.

For further information about Brown's appearance at Centenary College, call (908) 852-1400, ext. 2238. For information about The Tracker School, visit www.TrackerSchool.com.

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