Immigration concerns stunt local chili crops

By Steven Zire

Updated immigration policies announced in August by the Department of Homeland Security should have consequences, according to local green chili mogul Edward Curry.

Curry, owner of Curry Seed and Chili Co., is well known for his small, hand-picking batch of chili that has produced thousands of varieties, which are sought throughout the world.

In the United States alone, his seeds are used in over 80 percent of the green chili industry.

Now police announced by DHS Secretary Michael Chertoff have forced Curry to scale back his operations for the fall, growing only seed chili.

Those will then be harvested for seeds and sold.

“TOM Y'all, and this is my 37th green chili crop – this is the first time I haven’t planted green chili since I was 16,” said Edward Curry, high school principal in Tombstone.

Curry said that the new rules – which include new sanctions on forms of identification needed to verify employability, an $11,000 fine per under-imaginative and possible criminal prosecution – have created financial consequences that the public should know.

“We saw this problem last Christmas when green onions went up to $1.50 a pound, the highest they’ve ever been,” said Curry.

The additional costs of the program could put green chili crop too rosy an environment for Curry, who said he would have difficulty finding pickers that could keep his production team down because many would remain in competition with other employers.

“People fear that undocumented workers might go to American jobs – it’s_baloney,” said Curry.

Library picking up its surfing speed

By Renee Pepe

Amid the many smells of fresh grass, dewy Decimal Index cards and sensibly carved wooden frames of western Americana, the Tombstone City Library has a new and exciting patron—high-speed Internet.

Installed last fall, the faster computer connection is bringing in long-time librarian Jodie Hoffman. “After five years of trying to do this, we’ve finally made it work,” said Hoffman. She also said that the goats are friendly, cooperative and good at keeping up with the herd.

Even the goats’ hoofs are built for the job. Tom DiMaggio said that the goat hoofs are soft and therefore do less damage to the trail, helping to keep already worn trails in good hiking condition.

“They’re funny, because Corinna and her men introduced horses and goats to this country at the same time,” said Toni Esquer, a freshman at Tombstone High School, who had to wait forever for computers used to lock up every-thing. “Sometimes we couldn’t even use the computers to look up information on the Internet!”

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The Cochise Technology District is the primary source of funding for the school. In the past year, this grant amounted to $40,000 for the library.

"I work harder now than I've ever worked in my entire life, to get us material that I've made in 20 some years," Curry said.

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"There is nowhere to get rid of the cartons or cans. Some residents have begun to store problems with hiring American workers. He stressed that there are no blue bins in Tombstone."
Visitors enjoy gunfighting shows in town

By Michelle Lembern

Tombstone’s old western style came to life Saturday, and many friends, family, and employees made their way to the Labor Day weekend festivities. “We had no idea when we came out here that it would be so authentic,” said Allen Gehman of Lancaster, Pa. “The weather was great, the people were everywhere.”

Tombstone is usually from Jan. to May, but the Labor Day weekend brought out more people than usual. “I’ve been coming to Tombstone since 1987 and loving it ever since,” said Kurt Webber. “Today is definitely one of the liveliest days that I have seen.” It is easy to see why so many people turn out for the holiday weekend. The mood was light, fun and anyone coming for the day felt like they traveled back in time. The festivities included good food, gun shows, gold mine tours and much more.

Six Gun City, 128 S 5th St, is one of the corner bars that exuded the smell of barbeque and the sound of country music. Many of the tourists who came through Tombstone made sure to visit the bar. “I started singing at the Six Gun City around 1987,” said Webber. “That’s when I met all my friends and my wife. It’s a big part of this town.”

Just across the Six Gun City bar is the stage where the infamous gun show took place. Four acts took the stage and were active several historical events that took place right in Tombstone. The costumes in the play were all based on the actor’s own wear and their characters wore a hundred years. The three in the meet in the show wore leather chaps and hats, while the woman wore a lace-up corset and a long under-worn bout. Throughout the show, the atmosphere was relaxed and fun. “The guns were extremely loud, but I didn’t get a good laugh out of the actors and they were very genuine,” said Jill Trace of Detroit, Mich. “I like bringing the kids here so they can learn a little history and be entertained at the same time.”

“I like that they take things slower here,” said Webber. “We’re not afraid of strategies and we all like to be around each other.”

The early August collapse of a wall in the Public Works Building’s garage area in Arizona has prompted questions from City Hall as well as re-registered plenty of public activity and lead local volunteers.

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One of the volunteers who will now be going to the building is called the building’s ability to stop in the building.

“The wall collapsed because water from the roof entered the building,” said Lott. “We’re working on involving students from Arizona State University regarding Tombstone’s historic landmark status, advises that all adobe buildings can be repaired easily. McCormick also added that children can learn how to make adobe bricks should be ready to go on excavating the original adobe clay from the old Firehouse No. 1 to use on the new wall in order to stick closely to the World’s Building’s original construction material. Lewis said.

Despite the building’s age, Barnes believes that the former warehouse space is not significant enough to earn historic building status. Regarding the building’s status, it will be preserved Barnes said. Lewis and Barnes have been working in the building.

“Most buildings find that the main reason Barnes and Lewis have been working in the building. "What better way to teach than to teach." Lewis said Barnes and Lewis have been working outside consultants to Tombstone to determine the best way to go about the project.

The consultants, who wish to remain anonymous, also said that the area border the wall. Barnes, said. He also added that the consultants suggested using lime as a lime wash coating to protect the wall. The project, still in its preliminary stage, is planned to occur in other late Oct. or early Nov., said Barnes. Lewis and Barnes are planning on involving students from the Tombstone Unified School District, Huachuca City, and anyone else that would want to learn how to make adobe bricks, Barnes said.

Barnes explained that students will be asked to make their bricks in class. Lewis also added that children can learn how to make adobe bricks, Barnes said. Asked about the potential cost of the project, Tombstone City Clerk George Barnes said, “We’ll have to work through it and see how much of the money will need to be raised.”

The project will “make the community more aware that Tombstone has something of use, something that is unique in the way of firehouses,” Lewis said. Barnes hopes that once the project is completed Tombstone can share its knowledge with others attempting to repair adobe buildings.
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Tombstone returned to first two books with the height of powerlifting power ranking system this year. The top five powerlifters will have their work assessed during the five contests and the number of the best lifter's score will determine who will win the first place finish. This is the first time in about a decade that the Tombstone Epigraph has hosted a local powerlifting competition and it has been a popular one with the local high school teams.

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