Minutemen say membership increasing for April patrols which will begin April 1 and last through the month.

Everyone who attends must be dressed in 1980s style,” said Cody Sessions, owner and brewer of the Border Patrol. “This is not to say you’re in Tombstone, they like that kind of thing (dressing up).”

Adams added that the “claiming it” in crease in border violence that has account for 115 deaths against federal again since October could mandate into attacks on the civilian frontier. "The enforcement of our immigration laws should to be trained and equipped"

He said volunteers who were trained in the border Patrol were the border sheriff’s I-O-O-F. volunteers will also be trained to offer medical care as well.

He said volunteers will maintain a strict code of ethics and the Border Patrol, spot, report and avoid any contact with people coming on the country illegally. No exceptions, the "dece al states people sometimes may come from a person come to you for protection or aid, offer them what they need, watch them, watch the documents, call the police, and the others may come to you for help. "La Migra” said and help you in the way."

Adams said Border Patrol operations will continue as usual, and数字显示 automation of the Border Patrol, which is responsible for border crossing at the U.S. and Mexico border. All border crossings will be automated as of April 1.

"Some people say they are illegal, but it is not true. There is no illegal crossing at the borders." said Adams. "We are here to protect the border, we are here to protect the people."
Two city parks finally get needed cleanup

Residents and tourists again can enjoy the mountain view at Landon Park, near the broken glass, taped trash barrels and piles of waste that cluttered the area.

Mayor Andre DeJournett had city workers change the park, tucked away on the west side of Tombstone, from what he called a dump to what he hopes will become a center for recreation, and an upside down house that has an incongruous history.

The purpose is to ensure that commissions’ operating procedures comply with the state’s Open Meeting Law, and to keep minutes and financial documents of the operation.

The partnership, recognized by the federal government through the National Debate Authorization Act for 2004, consists of 21 agencies from federal, state and local organizations, including the U.S. Forest Service, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Cochise County and cities like Tombstone.

“This is made it functional,” Allen said. “I’m kind of taking it one step at a time.”

He built a garage and an addition behind the house for the tenants with the additions previous owner added.

The additional house will be an exact replica of the original Tombstone residence with the additions previous owner added.

In 2003, Allen started the remodeling project.

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The remodeling is part of a remodeling project that launched the remodeling project.

Allen has big plans for his newly constructed house.

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The mayor said city employees would work the water, but it’s going to take a lot of money in the city budget. She said the city would work for its residents to turn in old toilets that use more water by collecting, because there is not enough money for such a drastic change, but Allen said.

“People forget about this place,” DeJournett said, looking around at the park that just one week prior looked like unkempt, abandoned property.

Tombstone spent about $200 to keep the cleaning - not a lot of money for such a drastic change, but Allen said.

“People are more worried with simple solutions,” he said.

The shrubs, dust and desert trees flourish at Landon, among five acres of land that sits across 10 acres that crowd the old doors and windows.

“We’re going to cut these back,” DeJournett said.

Although the mayor said a crew of city workers will be out once a week to keep the area.

The entrance lacks a sign indicating that this area for recreation, and an upside down house that has an incongruous history.

The city park is a road through Tombstone last year making it more accessible.

Landon Park has a small crescent with unusable, urinal style toilets that many of us have in our homes.

“Anything they can do to further the historic appearance,” she said.

Mangus said the park is special and adds to the celebration of Tombstone.

The mayor said city employees replaced several light bulbs to make the park more visible at night and lose vulnerable crime.

George Basing, a tourist from Milwaukee, Wis., who found a new light in the park’s restaurant, said the signs will be posted outside buildings.

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The high vigilante is the equivalent of president, Cadwell said. The assistant high vigilante serves in the capacity of a vice president.

The group has 18 members, nine of whom are active, Cadwell said. This year’s leaders are Cadwell, Assistant High Vigilante Jayne McClure, Secretary Joanne Wier and Treasurer Mary Evans.

The Vigilantes promote the history of Tombstone through fashion shows and historical re-enactments of early days’ events of Tombstone’s Boom Town days. They also assist the Tombstone Vigilantes with dinners and other events said Cadwell.

Cadwell said, the Vigilantes are known as “proper ladies” of that time period. “The most risqué we get is the ball theme we wear,” Cadwell said. The Vigilantes model outfits from 1880 to 1915 that are representative of the era, Wier said. Even their bathing suits are representative of the era, Cadwell said. The ladies do not carry weapons. Decorative items from other organizations are not permitted on the ladies’ costumes. The ladies own the clothing they model. They are original of the period or acceptable reproductions made as close as possible in the original style and fabric of the time.

The bags, gloves, hats, jewelry and shoes must conform to the period as well. Cadwell said hats and gloves are mandatory with daytime wear. Neither are required for evening wear; although gloves are acceptable.

In the late 19th century, owners trimmed most of the hats with the fabric of the dress. This makes it difficult to pinpoint a definitive style of accessories of a specific period, she said.

The dressing handy is easy to make, Evans. Cotton, silk, satin, linen and wool are the most common fabrics for making dresses of the period, Wier and Cadwell said. Synthetic and synthetic blends of these fabrics are acceptable. These 10-8 by 10-5 blends are indistinguishable from the natural fibers.

For daywear, glove length may be from cubit to elbow. "The activities are fun. I love relating to being and part of the school presentations," Evans said. Evans is serving her third year as the group’s treasurer.

The Tombstone Vigilantes dressing pretty, keeping busy

The investigation is ongoing. Police are seeking the public’s assistance in locating the suspect. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Police Department at 520-457-7373.

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**SPORTS**

**Tennis teams take advantage of off-days, prepare for two day homestand**

Kyle Bellingham  
*The Tombstone Epiph*  

There may have been some empty tennis courts at Tombstone High School the past couple days, but the boys and girls tennis team have not forfeited their season.

They are taking as much needed rest. It has been one week since the start of the season and already the Yellowjackets have played five matches against top opponents.

“I know the kids are tired, so we gave them a day off,” said head tennis coach Dan Romero.

“Just one day though. Those kids are young, they don’t need that much rest,” he added with a chuckle.

Tombstone played host to two regional foes this past week with little avail.

Pusch Ridge visited the Yellowjackets Monday to kick off the home season for this year’s varsity team.

The boys team, led by senior Bret Kluca sarcastic and junior Aaron Couillard, were not enough to muster a match win out of the Lions. Pusch Ridge swept the boys 9-0.

The Lady Yellowjackets had a bit more success than the boys, but also fell short of a victory against the Lady Lions.

The match went down to the final game but Pusch Ridge was too much, and came away victorious 5-4.

In high school tennis the girls and boys each play six individual matches followed by three doubles matches. The squad who wins the most games out of those nine, wins the match.

Tuesday the Yellowjackets played host to last year’s region champs St. Gregory, but the outcomes were the same.

Junior Gloria Valenzuela and Jonnie Sherrman were not enough to fight off the Hawks and the girls team fell 6-3.

The boys team also lost to the Hawks Tuesday 2-7. “It’s a long season and we’re improving each match,” said Romero. “We are just a very young inexperienced team.”

An absence of any seniors on the girls team and only one senior, Bret Kluca in his second year of tennis, this year’s varsity team has a lot of growing to do.

The season is not full of disappointments as the varsity tennis team traveled to Duncan for its pressure tournament and not only competed, but walked away victorious.

In the regional play, the girls team walked away victorious as the winners of the tournament and the boys put up a solid show leaving in third place.

The next tournament was one of two tournaments the varsity teams will play this season. High school rules permit a team to compete in two tournaments per year.

Tombstone needs some improvement if the team hopes to compete with the varsity tennis team.

**Girls softball opens Valley Union Tournament today**

Charles Renning  
*The Tombstone Epiph*  

After a 4-0 stretch in the Phoenix Country Day Tournament, including two one-run victories, the Tombstone girl’s softball team continues its trend toward its second straight state playoff berth when it travels to Valley Union for a weekend tournament starting today.

The Yellowjackets open play this afternoon, but because a few teams have dropped out of the tournament field, head coach Robert Devere was unsure who or when the Yellowjackets would be playing at The Epiph’s press game.

Devere said he hopes to play two or three quality games and that his team will find off and improve from last weekend’s underwhelming tournament.

“It was good to get a lot of playing time for different players,” Devere said of the two-day tournament last weekend.

The Yellowjackets opened the tournament with a 4-5 win over Valley Christian last Friday.

Devere said the team struggled early in the contest, leaving multiple runners on base in both the third and fourth innings. With Tombstone trailing 3-1 in the fifth, Brianna Lee walked a grand slam to put the Yellowjackets up 4-3 to get their win.

Senior Bob Thompson threw a two-hitter in the Yellowjackets opening-day victory.

Following the win, the Yellowjackets rolled to a 7-1 win over Arizona Lutheran behind solid defense and contributions from a variety of players.

Saturday’s contests were marred by rain and shortened, but Tombstone won both games beating Valley Lutheran 24-4 in four innings and topping Arizona Lutheran 5-2 behind another solid pitching performance from Thompson.

In the Yellowjackets’ 24-4 win over Valley Lutheran, Brittny Hayes made her varsity debut and tossed her first win in the circle.

Devere said he would have liked to see a little better competition from the tournament but noted the game with Arizona Lutheran and Valley Christian gave the team a better idea of where they stand within the state.

The tournament this weekend will be Tombstone’s last chance to sharp up before beginning region play against Pusch Ridge Monday at 4 p.m. at home.

Devere said all the pre-region games are just a tune up for what really matters. “This is what really counts,” Devere said about region games. “Everything else up to this point has been just playing around.”

Devere said the team still needs to find an everyday second baseman and would like to secure his two-deep lineup after the multiple games this weekend. Also, Devere said base running as an area that needs some improvement if the team hopes to continue its success.

He added that region play was what is really important to the team’s postseason success.

“Every win you get in region gets you closer to where you want to be,” he said.

**Baseball team heads to Maricopa for weekend tourney**

Bryan Pelkoskas  
*The Tombstone Epiph*  

The Tombstone High School boys baseball team hopes to continue their great start into the Matt Huffman Baseball Tournament this weekend at Maricopa High School northwest of Casa Grande.

The Yellowjackets (5-1) are coming off a tough win against Valley Union High School Tuesday, where they were facing a hostile but which included the fourth inning.

In the top of the fourth, Tombstone started the inning with back-to-back singles, then Byron Reischl hit a two-run single.

Reischl got the win for the Yellowjackets and pitched five innings, giving up two earned runs, while striking out six and walking two.

Head baseball coach R.C. Hayes attributes the team’s success to great chemistry and solid fundamentals.

“Byron has really stepped up and is showing his senior leadership,” Hayes said, “but I will say that it has been a strong team effort and everyone is contributing.”

The Yellowjackets play their last non-conference games this weekend in the tournament which starts Thursday and runs through the weekend. Tombstone will play Cactus and Hayden High School on Thursday, and then face Camelback High School on Friday to wrap up seeding for Saturday’s tournament.

The Yellowjackets begin conference play Monday against Pusch Ridge in Tombstone.

“We’ve had success against them in the past, but they’ll be competitive,” Hayes said.

Hayes continued to say that even though Pusch Ridge has lost most of their best players, Tombstone needs to go into the game playing hard.

After Pusch Ridge, Tombstone will have a tough game against Bisbee March 17, followed by Bisbee March 17.