

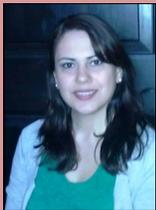
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# Ward 6 Newsletter

## TUCSON FIRST

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### Will Seberger

Last weekend one of Tucson's top photo journalists passed away unexpectedly. This is a photo of UA grad Will Seberger, taken on August 21<sup>st</sup> while he was shooting the Sun Link grand opening. He was a freelance photog who did work for TIME, The Wall Street Journal, AZPM, Mother Jones and several other publications. Perhaps his most impressive work was covering the Lost Boys, a shoot that took him into South Sudan back in 2009.

Will died far too soon, at the age of 33. He's survived by his wife Andrea Kelly. He will be missed.



### Important Phone Numbers

**Tucson Police  
Department**  
911 or nonemergency  
791-4444

**Water Issues**  
791-4133  
Emergency: 791-4133

**Street Maintenance**  
791-3154

**Graffiti Removal**  
792-2489

**Abandoned  
Shopping Carts**  
791-3171

**Neighborhood  
Resources**  
837-5013

**SunTran/SunLink**  
792-9222

**Environmental  
Services**  
791-3171

**Park Wise**  
791-5071

**Planning and  
Development  
Services** 791-5550

**Pima County Animal  
Control**  
243-5900

**Pima County Vector  
Control**  
Cockroach: 443-6501  
Mosquito: 740-2760

## Continued: A Message From Steve

### Construction the Right Way and the Wrong Way



These pictures each tell a story. The one on the right is the lower concourse of McKale. The steel framework you see on the ceiling is structurally sound and will form new ceiling treatments for the lower concourse of the Arena. I've shared with you shots of the seating bowl. That part's about ready for events. This behind the scenes work is going to be phased to completion up until nearly the end of the year. Because of the intensity of use, no safety and health corners are being cut just for the sake of speed.

The photo on the left is the ceiling of the former Wig-O-Rama building downtown on Congress. If you'll recall, it was burned in a fire back in January of 2013. Reconstruction began late last year. The trouble is, as you can see in the picture, they're hanging new weight on the damaged roof structure. I was concerned that a health/safety condition was being created and asked for an inspection. That inspection will take place later this week. I'm of course concerned that they will discover that the new construction does not in fact meet safety code standards. They'll also look for fire code violations and see whether the building has been secured sufficiently to prevent people from hanging out inside the space, using it as a crash pad. It is my belief that the City should not have issued any construction permits until the life/safety issues had been addressed on construction documents that were stamped by a licensed A/E.

It's privately owned and it's the City's responsibility to ensure safety deficiencies are addressed before allowing it to be re-occupied by customers and employees. The fire and its aftermath are a total drag to have to work through. Wig-O-Rama has been a downtown fixture for nearly 40 years.

First of all, I'm hopeful that my concerns are proven to be invalid and that the building's safe and the construction is moving ahead as per code. If not, I'm hopeful that the owners will be willing to invest to upgrade the structural stability of the building. And yet, if they elect not to put the money into the build-



ing, we cannot simply turn a blind eye to legitimate safety issues and allow them to put the public at risk by building in an unsafe manner.

When we're finished with the McKale remodel, from a structural stability standpoint you'll be safe in the building. The same must be true of any structure the City issues permits to for construction. I'll let you know the results of the inspections. This is a highly visible space in the middle of the downtown core. It's going to be scrutinized, one way or another.

### **Rio Nuevo, Back to the Future**

About two years ago a small group was formed to review proposals submitted for the development of what's known as the Arena Parcel. It has that name because at some point in the past the City was considering building a new arena on it. The idea never panned out. It still hosts the Greyhound bus depot and not much else.

That committee was made up of two members of the City Council (me and Regina), two members of the then Rio Nuevo Board, and some City staffers. The winning proposal was submitted by Peach Properties. However, the parcel of ground was caught up in the middle of the former legal squabble between the City and the former Rio Board, and the Peach deal was never finalized.

Now Rio owns the property – a result of the legal settlement – and they re-issued a solicitation to build on it. Peach once again submitted their proposal. So did a company called Nor-Gen. And once again, Peach won the legitimate scoring of the proposals, except that they didn't.

Nor-Gen's proposal scored 795 points more than the Peach proposal on the oral presentations. So why would I suggest that Peach won again? Simply because on the oral presentations one of the Rio Board members gave Nor-Gen a 930 point advantage, out of 1,000.

That same individual had clearly violated at the very least the spirit of the procurement process the previous week by publicly proclaiming his intention to support the Nor-Gen project. And by scoring the proposals 1,000 to 70, he sure came through.

On their initial scoring of the two projects the entire Board only gave Nor-Gen an advantage of 175 points.

Anybody who has ever scored competing construction projects recognizes that scoring two proposals, giving one a perfect score and the other 70 points out of a possible 1,000 is a total farce. By doing so, that Board member publicly violated the spirit – if not the letter – of the rules. It's my opinion that the Board Chair and their attorney should have disqualified that member from voting. If that occurred, then Peach would be the winner.

The history of Rio Nuevo is one of mismanagement and playing fast and loose with the award of contracts. The City was correctly criticized for that, and a State Auditor General report pointed to multiple examples of project and fiscal mismanagement. That report was called for by the State legislature, the same body that has appointed each of the current Board members.

In a feigned attempt at transparency, Rio posted the results on their web site. The trouble is,



### **Important Phone Numbers**

Senator John  
McCain (R)  
520-670-6334

Senator Jeff  
Flake (R)  
520-575-8633

Congressman  
Ron Barber (D)  
(2<sup>nd</sup> District)  
520-881-3588

Congressman  
Raul Grijalva (D)  
(3<sup>rd</sup> District)  
520-622-6788

Governor Janice  
Brewer (R)  
602-542-4331  
Tucson office:  
628-6580

Mayor Jonathan  
Rothschild  
791-4201

ZoomTucson Map  
[http://  
maps.tucsonaz.gov  
/zoomTucson/](http://maps.tucsonaz.gov/zoomTucson/)

they only posted the final vote tallies, not the individual breakdowns. That's not 'transparent.'

I doubt you'll see much follow up in the press, and I certainly doubt you'll see any call for an Auditor General investigation from the Legislature. After all, this is their Board.

### **City Charter Review Committee**

Last week the citizen's Charter Review committee had their first meeting. They were guided into the process by Raphael Sonenshein, a poli sci prof from Cal State Fullerton. Each council office and the mayor named two people to the committee. Those representatives include:

Ward 6, Jeremy Christopher and John Hinderaker  
 Ward 5, Randi Dorman and Pastor Grady Scott  
 Ward 4, John Springer and Moon Yee  
 Ward 3, Bonnie Poulos and Tannya Gaxiola  
 Ward 2, Leonard Porges and Tom Prezelski  
 Ward 1, Edna Meza-Aguirre and Diana Rhodes  
 Mayor, Stephanie Healy and Kasey Nye

My sense is that the group is a good balance of interests and will bring us some creative suggestions.

The scope of their work is to make recommendations related to possible amendments to our City Charter. Their general timeline is to get us a list by late spring of next year. Then we'll vote on which of them to forward to the November 2015 ballot. At that point, it's your call.

I think some of the counsel offered by Mr. Sonenshein was important for the group to keep in mind. Some of that was to avoid including items in their list that are hotly contested within their own group, to consider separating out proposed changes that might tend to drag down the whole list, to engage in some level of public comment period before finalizing their list, and to pay attention to input they'll get from other interest groups along the way.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 4pm until 7pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Each time they meet there'll be a couple of calls to the audience, so if this process is something you'd like to weigh in on, you'll have that chance.

### **Pedestrian Safety and Public Input**

We have some very engaged neighborhoods in Ward 6. Last week I shared about Palo Verde neighborhood offering to clean up the debris left behind by sloppy tenants in rentals. We're still hopeful that the easy and rational solution is the one staff will embrace. At the end of last week there was some movement in that direction. We're hopeful, and will be grateful if it comes to pass.

Also in the midtown area are neighborhoods who are legitimately concerned about the

condition of sidewalks and other right-of-way issues. Those are safety matters. We will be addressing some of that when we tackle the new impact fee rates on September 9<sup>th</sup>. But development impact fees are only a small portion of the solution.

Many of our road projects involve federal funds. In many cases there are also required environmental impact studies that need to be done before those funds can be released. Add to that ADOT review and there is justified confusion on the part of residents as to why a project seems to take forever to get from the conceptual stage to turning dirt. The multi-step approval process takes time and is not something that you'll see chronicled in the media – no 'walking appeal.' That's the phrase they use in TV production meetings to describe a story that people will talk about while they're out walking around.



I mention this for a couple of reasons. First, please don't hesitate to contact us at the Ward 6 office if you're curious about the status of a project you've heard about in your neighborhood. If we don't have the answer, we'll learn together as we chase down the timeline information. Staff has spreadsheets on which they track each project through the required processes, including anticipated start dates. I can't promise you'll love the answer, but we'll help to get you one.

The other reason I mention this is because we seem to continue to have the misunderstanding on the part of some in the City bureaucracy that your questions are an inconvenience. This is a quote that one staffer inadvertently sent to a neighbor when it was intended for a co-worker among City staff:

***“unbelievable the expectations from our citizens, very time consuming”***

Every staff member who works for any public entity paid for by the taxpayers needs to understand that your questions might be 'time consuming' to research, but you've got a right to ask them. We aren't going to drop everything every time somebody calls, but we'll do what we can to help. That's the correct attitude that every worker on the taxpayer rolls needs to adopt. It seems to be a culture change that we're still pushing up against.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Closure**

Similarly, staff made a unilateral decision to shut down southbound traffic on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue at the underpass and 9<sup>th</sup> Street. The issue they were attempting to address was the legitimate concern over gridlock on Congress, holding up streetcar travel, and posing a danger to pedestrians at what might be the worst intersection in America; 4<sup>th</sup>, Toole, Congress. The intent was fine – but the solution only shifted the problem. The process they went through to arrive at the closure included zero input from any of the stakeholders.

Being included in the discussion prior to a major decision such as that is not an 'unbelievable expectation' from the citizens (or the Ward Office, I might add).

Here's a copy of my response to the Media Release sent out announcing the closure. It was sent to our TDOT Director and cc'd his assistant, the Mayor and the City Manager:

*Daryl;*

*How do you justify making this decision without any input from either the business operators, surrounding residential areas or the Ward office? We're hearing what you avoided listening to by having made this unilateral decision.*

*If the problem is traffic volume, all this does is shift it into surrounding neighborhoods and back up 4th Avenue.*

*If the problem is traffic flow, you could have addressed that by dedicating the south lane to the streetcar and taking out north side parking along Congress during heavy demand periods.*

*In your memo you indicate that merchants will be advised. Correct protocol is to include them in the decision making process.*

*The proposed solution does nothing but shift the problem to new locations. Putting more eyes and minds on the issue would yield a better result.*

*SteveK*

Wig-o-Rama, attitude about responding to citizen input, and failing to include any input from those affected by major decisions – we seem to have a consistent theme of poor communications. The Ward Offices become the point of contact in the aftermath of this sort of stuff. We're happy to take your calls, but understand that I and my staff advocate strongly for your inclusion in the process ahead of these sorts of decisions. We'll continue that advocacy. Knowing that should make it easier for you to take it easy on the person who's at the other end of the line when you call our office.

#### **More Governance – TUSD**

A while back I wrote a letter to TUSD Superintendent HT Sanchez and suggested that before they decided to sell, or repurpose schools that he and their Board reach out to the Council Office for the ward in which the school resides so we can get the residents of the surrounding neighborhood involved in the discussion. I heard nothing in response. With that in mind, last week I reached out to him again and stated the following:

*HT;*

*I'm reaching out to you again suggesting that both the District and the City can benefit from us coordinating efforts in some of the decisions being made with respect to school sites. Two areas for coordination in particular.*

*I applaud your plan to further the goal of integration, specifically the proposed move of the Dodge student population over to the former Townsend site. The idea will benefit if we engage the immediately surrounding neighborhood early in the process - now - to hear some of their concerns. The plan will bring over 600 students back into the neighborhood. Given issues we're currently dealing with at Tucson High and BASIS School (Alvernon site), I know we'll need to be proactive on the issue of traffic flow, pick-up/drop-off practices and how that will impact the surrounding area. I suspect we'll hear other concerns as well. Better to address them now, in a coordinated manner than to wait and have to address them after the fact.*

*Solar's great. The program you're engaging deserves full support. But in any large facility capital project there are issues of massing and adjacencies. Before design details are finalized on any site that's in Ward 6, I'd repeat my earlier request; that is, let's meet at the site and secure input from those who will be affected by the visuals. Developers are willing to entertain design options. But they have to hear the concerns or they'll have nothing to react to. I've heard from residents who live around Carillo that the public process leading up to the design decisions were insufficient. While Carillo isn't a Ward 6 school, what I'm proposing is simply that we ensure we avoid similar criticisms in the aftermath of future solar installations.*

*Great initiatives (integration / solar) but let's do this together. If you've got a public outreach person, or even one of your Board members you'd like to have contact me, that'd be great. I'll take the initiative and our office will schedule the appropriate neighborhood meeting.*

*Thanks for your commitment to the District. We serve the same constituents.*

*Steve Kozachik Tucson City Council, Ward 6*

I'm happy to report that his office has reached out to me with the intent of setting up a face-to-face in which HT and I will be able to come to a closer understanding as to what my intentions are in coordinating the special meetings that I'm offering.

In the case of the Dodge to Townsend move, it's going to bring over 600 kids into the neighborhood on a daily basis. In the case of the solar array, the visual impact might have been mitigated had there been discussion prior to the design being finalized.

I'm looking forward to meeting with HT again. We share constituents and we share a concern for quality of life in our residential areas. I'm not anticipating anything but a very productive get-together.

I know, come up for air, Steve. There's something a bit Orwellian about some of this, though. Big Brother, Newspeak – doesn't work in making public policy.



### **Primary Elections**

Here's one that directly touches public policy. On Tuesday, make sure you participate in the Primary Election. The polls will be open from 6am until 7pm. You can go on-line and check where your polling place is located @ [recorder.pima.gov](mailto:recorder.pima.gov), or call them at 724.4350.

We often hear that there aren't any good choices in the General Election. If you share that feeling, then vote in the Primaries and make an impact on who ends up on the final ballot. There are lots of State-wide, and State level positions being filled. Your involvement is important in making the system work.

### **Elections Lawsuit**

Speaking of the election process, last week we were advised that the City prevailed in the suit we filed against Tom Horne and the State over their having tried to force our elections

into even-numbered years, banning what is called an ‘off-cycle’ election.

We’re a Charter City. The courts have consistently stated that on issues of primarily local concern, our Charter trumps attempts by the State to impose their will on how we operate. One of the areas that’s consistently cited as being of local concern is how we conduct our elections.

In 2012 the State changed the law in an effort to require us to abandon our election cycle and hold ours alongside other County, State, and National elections. They tried the ‘non-partisan/Ward only’ bill the prior year and lost that attempt. Last week’s decision was to be expected. It’s too bad the Attorney General didn’t advise his client (the Legislature) that their bill was a dog.

The Court clearly stated:

*We can conceive of no essentials more inherently of local interest or concern to the electors of a city than who shall be its governing officers and how they shall be selected.*

In each elections case we have to fight the Court makes the importance of protecting a Charter City’s authority to put together its own government clear. That includes how the elected officials are selected. Last week they once again affirmed that “*if an offcycle election affects the method and manner of selecting its governing officers, the constitution protects the autonomy of the charter city*”

Ok – so we went to court to protect your opportunity to vote on Tuesday. The rest is up to you.

### **RTA – A Vote You Already Took**

On May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006, Pima County voters (Tucsonans being the largest group making up ‘Pima County’ voters) approved the 20 year RTA sales tax. At the time, it was projected to raise \$2.1B in revenues over the term of the RTA. Prior to the vote it was made clear exactly what the money would go towards. Here’s the break-down of that commitment:

#### **Roadway Improvement Element**

- o RTA funding: \$1.2 billion
- o Other funding: \$334 million

#### **Safety Element**

- o RTA funding: \$180 million

#### **Environmental and Economic Vitality Element**

- o RTA funding: \$115 million

#### **Transit Element**

- o RTA funding: \$534 million
- o Other funding: \$75 million

The element of interest to me here is the Roadway Improvement Element. At an estimated \$1.2B, that’s by far the largest allocation of funding. Unfortunately, its title is deceptive. The money going into the Roadway Improvement Element isn’t primarily going to improve the quality of existing roads. It’s going to increase the capacity of existing roads.

The point is that we are paying a ½ cent sales tax to the RTA, and they're turning it around on us and saying that "their" money can only be spent on expanding system capacity – not fixing existing roads. That's what the Statute says, so until it's changed, the RTA is correct.

I teased this item last week, but wanted to put some meat on its bones this time around so you have the full context of what I've proposed. That is, ask the voters if they'd like to continue with the present practice of only spending RTA tax dollars on expanding road capacity, or if they'd like to see a certain percentage of the RTA tax that's already being paid go to road repair – not building new capacity.

When I originally put this proposal on the table, the response from the RTA/PAG folks was immediately negative. They were convinced that I was trying to "blow up the RTA" after it had taken 3 or 4 tries at the ballot box to finally prevail. I'm proposing nothing of the sort.

The RTA has to go back to the voters and seek an extension on their 2026 end date. The closer we get to their statutory end date, the more difficult it is for them to sell their debt without having to pay inflated interest due to the shorter durations of the notes. The extension would therefore serve multiple purposes. First it would extend the ability to charge the extra ½ cents on each purchase as a dedicated funding source for the RTA Elements. Next, if the extension is granted it will aid in lowering the interest the RTA is having to pay for the debt they're selling because they can extend the duration of the notes. But most importantly for me here is that we could also ask the question about using some of the money for road repair.

The County is considering a tax increase to fix its roads. The Mayor wants to extend Prop 409. All I'm saying is to use a percentage of what's already being collected to fix what we already have. At the very least, let the voters decide from among the three alternatives.

### Critter Alert



Finally, let me share this reminder from the Arizona State Game & Fish Department – if you see critters wandering through your neighborhood, don't ignore them. They're likely looking for a convenient food source and some of our urban life style choices make for easy pickings.

Most recently there has been some coyote activity in the midtown area. On the G&F

website they've got a "living with coyotes" link. Here's some advice, pasted verbatim from their site:

If you see a coyote near your home, don't ignore it. This may cause it to lose its natural

fear of people, which can eventually lead to aggressive behavior.

**To discourage a coyote, immediately:**

- Make loud noises.
- Shout and bang pots and pans or rattle empty soda cans with pebbles in it (coyote shaker).
- Wave your hands or objects like sticks and brooms.
- Throw small stones or cans.
- Spray the coyote with a hose.
- Use a commercial repellent like Mace, if necessary, on bold animals that refuse to leave.

**In an emergency:** If a coyote is aggressive, approaching a person, biting, or growling and snarling unprovoked, then:

- Continue and exaggerate the above actions.
- Don't turn away or run because the animal may view it as an opportunity to chase.
- Keep eye contact.
- Move toward other people, a building, or an area of activity.



Call your [local Arizona Game and Fish Department office](#) (8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon. -Fri. excluding holidays). Also, call Game and Fish if severe property damage has occurred or if there is possession of a live coyote. After hours and weekends, a radio dispatcher is available at (623) 236-7201.

Remember, your swimming pool is a potential watering hole for them. Your unattended water bowl for Fido or Fluffy is also an attractive nuisance. So are Fido and Fluffy, for that matter, so while we're seeing this recent uptick in activity, word to the wise from G&F is to take care to not leave pets outdoors unattended.

We get calls from time to time about 'sightings.' We also see the exchanges on neighborhood listservs. Jot down the phone number shown above and keep it handy. You can also call 911 if you see odd and/or aggressive behavior from one of them.

I've seen plenty of coyotes and javalina in our neighborhood while walking home and while out running. I've never been bothered – but I also keep an eye on them until we pass one another and are both on our respective journeys. Game and Fish are the professionals. Their advice is worth taking seriously.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Kozachik".

Steve Kozachik  
Council Member, Ward 6  
[Ward6@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:Ward6@tucsonaz.gov)

## Events Calendar



*Adopt a street, wash, park, or other public space!*

### Why Do Parks and Public Areas Need to be Adopted?

City and County government budgets are not large enough to resolve the litter problem in our community. This is why Tucson Clean & Beautiful (TCB) began implementing a model Adopt-a-Park program in 1984. Tucson Clean & Beautiful works in partnership with both City and County governments to help maintain Tucson's beautiful environment. Sincere community commitment, involvement and ownership have made this program highly successful. Over 250 public areas including parks, streets, and washes are now adopted by dedicated citizens of all ages!

### Who Can Adopt a Park or Public Area?

Any recognized community group willing to make an ongoing volunteer commitment throughout the year may participate. Civic associations, schools, neighborhoods, churches, military, scout, and other community groups as well as businesses have made an ongoing commitment to clean up and control litter.

### What Areas in the Community Can Be Adopted?

Tucson Clean & Beautiful oversees the Adopt-a-Park, Adopt-a-Street and Adopt-a-Wash programs for the City of Tucson, as well as the Adopt-a-Park program for Pima County. Other public sites such as bikeways, desert areas, alleys, traffic circles and even entire neighborhoods are also eligible for adoption. Neighborhood associations are encouraged to request information about the Adopt-a-Park program. Contact TCB with your site suggestion.

### How Do We Sign Up?

Call Tucson Clean & Beautiful at 791-3109 or email [jean.hickman@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:jean.hickman@tucsonaz.gov) to request an Interest Form for the Adopt-a-Park and Public Areas Program. Tucson Clean & Beautiful will help you get started and select an appropriate park or public site! For more information, visit <http://www.tucsoncleanandbeautiful.org>

### Ongoing . . . .

**Arizona Theater Company**, 330 S Scott Ave

"Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike" The winner of the 2013 Tony Award for Best Play! Written by Christopher Durang, Directed by Joel Sass  
September 13 – October 4, 2014

<http://www.arizonatheatre.org/>

**Rialto Theatre**, 318 E Congress St

<http://www.rialtotheatre.com/>

**The Rogue Theatre** at The Historic Y, 300 E University Blvd

<http://www.theroguetheatre.org/main.htm>

**Fox Theatre**, 17 W Congress St

[www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org](http://www.FoxTucsonTheatre.org)

**Hotel Congress**, 311 E Congress St

<http://hotelcongress.com>

**Loft Cinema**, 3233 E Speedway Blvd

[www.loftcinema.com](http://www.loftcinema.com)

**Tucson Museum of Art**, 140 N Main Ave

[www.TucsonMusuemofArt.org](http://www.TucsonMusuemofArt.org)

**Jewish History Museum**, 564 S Stone Ave

The Jewish History Museum presents “Skullcaps and Schul Hats,” focusing on two family collections of 1940s head coverings. The museum urges you to visit and learn about the fading tradition of Schul Hats and the enduring tradition of “Keeping the Kippot,” as well as Tucson Jewish history.

[www.jewishhistorymuseum.org](http://www.jewishhistorymuseum.org)

**Children's Museum Tucson**, 200 S 6<sup>th</sup> Ave

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm; Saturdays & Sundays: 10:00am - 5:00pm

[www.childrensmuseumtucson.org](http://www.childrensmuseumtucson.org)

**Arizona State Museum**, 1013 E University Blvd

November 9, 2013, through July 2015, “Curtis Reframed: The Arizona Portfolios.”

[www.statemuseum.arizona.edu](http://www.statemuseum.arizona.edu)

**UA Mineral Museum**, 1601 E University Blvd

Now through December 2014, “The Best of the Best: Prize Minerals from the Vaults of Arizona’s Collectors.”

<http://www.uamineralmuseum.org/>

**Southern Arizona Transportation Museum**, 414 N Toole Ave.

Explore regional transportation history, and see a freight trains passing by, or ring the locomotive bell at the Southern Arizona Transportation Museum every Saturday, year round.

Tuesday – Thursday, Sunday: 1100am - 3:00pm

Friday & Saturdays: 10:00am - 4:00pm

<http://www.tucsonhistoricdepot.org>

**Sacred Machine Museum & Curiosity Shop**, 245 E Congress St

<http://sacredmachine.com>

**Meet Me at Maynards**, 311 E Congress St (north entrance on Toole)

A social walk/run through the Downtown area

Every Monday, rain or shine, holidays too!

Hotel Congress Check-in begins at 5:15pm.

[www.MeetMeatMaynards.com](http://www.MeetMeatMaynards.com)

**Tucson Botanical Gardens**, 2150 N Alvernon Way

<http://www.tucsonbotanical.org>

**Cinema La Placita**, 110 S Church Ave

Every Thursday evening at 7:30, May through August, hundreds of Tucsonans enjoy the cool summer evenings and a pleasant summertime event. \$3 per person includes popcorn.

AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup>

*DUCK SOUP* (1933) NR

Starring Groucho Marx, Harpo Marx, Chico Marx and Zeppo Marx. Directed by Leo McCarey.

Rufus T. Firefly is named president/dictator of bankrupt Freedonia and declares war on neighboring Sylvania over the love of wealthy Mrs. Teasdale.

