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Date night with a dog to benefit charity

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Want to go for a ride? No, not to the place where pets are rudely probed and then given a shot or two. Somewhere fun.

Even better, it's for a good cause.

Those interested in hanging out with their dogs while enjoying a movie on the big screen may want to motor by the Doggie Drive-In at 7 p.m. Saturday in the parking lot of Scottsdale Community College, 9000 E. Chaparral Road.

While you are free to stay inside your car, you may want to go for a walk and rub paws with other owners who so rarely get the chance to bring their pups to an outdoor theater.

The event is free, but those attending are encouraged to donate to Family Promise, a shelter that welcomes pets. Those who have fallen on hard times often must give up their pets when entering a shelter, but Family Promise is dedicated to keeping the entire family together.

Refreshments will be sold. Hard to imagine attending a drive-in movie without refreshments being available.

The movie? That would be "Beethoven," starring a St. Bernard consisting largely of saliva (and he is not afraid to use it).

The event is brought to you by Scottsdale Leadership Class 27, which reminds you that all dogs must be leashed. And no, you may not bring that fifth to "Beethoven." No alcohol is allowed.

The gates open at 6 p.m. Please register at doggiedrivein.com or call 480-659-5227.

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