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# Good Samaritan Dinner Venue Changed

## From STAFF REPORTS

The venue for the Good Samaritan Tribute Dinner has changed, but there are several ways that people can celebrate former Ohio County Sheriff Tom Burgoyne's honor on Thursday.

The 14th annual dinner has moved from Wheeling Park's White Palace ballroom to the Wheeling Park ice rink.

The move was decided upon Tuesday to make sure guests are safe as COVID-19 numbers in the Ohio Valley increase.

The dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and will feature eat-in or carry-out dining options. People also can watch from home, as West Liberty

University Television will livestream the celebration.

"However folks choose to celebrate, we look forward to enjoying a very special night in honor of an extraordinary man," said Terra Crews, director of development for Youth Services System, which sponsors the Good Samaritan Award. "Tom Burgoyne is kind, giving, compassionate and fair. We have interviewed people from all over who have testified to his positive — many times life-changing — influence on their lives."

Chef Charlie Schlegel will prepare the dinner. Musician Gregg Molnar will perform, and a chance auction will take place.

The Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Wheeling-Charleston Diocese, will deliver the invocation. Wheeling Central Catholic High School football coach Mike Young will introduce Burgoyne, and Central students under the direction of Deb Warmoth compiled a tribute video.

The ceremony will be broadcast on WLU-TV 14 for those whose cable subscription includes that channel, as well as on [www.topperstation.com](http://www.topperstation.com), the Topper Station Facebook page and YouTube Channel, and the YSS Facebook page.

The footage also may be viewed online afterward, accessible through Youth Services System's website,

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

In addition to his 39 years in law enforcement, Burgoyne has been a board member for various charities, including 21 years at YSS, and a volunteer for causes ranging from Wheeling Central Catholic High School athletics to substance abuse prevention to the YSS Winter Freeze Shelter.

To purchase dinner tickets, email [tcrows@ysswv.com](mailto:tcrows@ysswv.com) or call 304-940-6899. Donations to YSS in Burgoyne's honor may be made online by texting GS2021 to 44-321 or by mailing a check to YSS Good Samaritan Dinner, 87 15th St., Wheeling, WV 26003.