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Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon honors “McMinnville Area Habitat for Humanity” with service award

The McMinnville Area Habitat for Humanity will be honored with an “Ecumenical Service Award” on Oct. 13, 2009, at the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) Annual Community Awards & Celebration Dinner. The award is presented in recognition of McMinnville Area Habitat for Humanity’s special achievements in providing safe, decent, affordable homes.

McMinnville Area Habitat for Humanity’s mission is to build partnerships among volunteers, families and the community in order to build simple, decent houses with families in need. They connect congregations in the McMinnville area to one to another, as well as connecting college students to both congregations and “builds” in Central and South America. The organization is not just building houses, it builds relationship and networks within the faith community.

The EMO Annual Community Awards & Celebration Dinner will be held at the Hilton Hotel, 921 SW Sixth Ave., Portland. A reception and silent auction to benefit EMO’s ministries will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and the dinner and award presentations will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person and table sponsorships are available for \$600. For more information, call Carla Starrett-Bigg at (503) 221-1054 or csbigg@emoregon.org.

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is a statewide association of Christian denominations—including Protestant, Roman Catholic and Orthodox bodies—congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners working together to improve the lives of Oregonians through community ministry programs, ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, environmental ministry and public policy advocacy.

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