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EMO honors Joe Weston with "Vollum Humanitarian Award"

Joe Weston, founder of Weston Investment Co. LLC and the Joseph E. Weston Public Foundation, will be honored with the "Vollum Ecumenical Humanitarian Award" on April 25, 2013, at the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) Annual Community Awards & Celebration Dinner. The award is presented in recognition of outstanding commitment to humanitarian responsibility that has significantly enhanced the quality of life for all.

Weston, a Roman Catholic layperson, is being honored for his commitment to social services and education within the state of Oregon, as well as his dedication to philanthropy and giving back to his community. He established the Joseph E. Weston Foundation through the Oregon Community Foundation, which has been funding vital community programs since 1991.

The EMO Annual Community Awards & Celebration Dinner will be held on April 25 at the Hilton Hotel, 921 SW Sixth Ave., Portland. A reception and silent auction to benefit EMO's ministries will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and the dinner and award presentations will begin at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are available at www.emoregon.org for \$75 per person and tables for 10 are available for \$750. For more information, call Carla Starrett-Bigg at (503) 221-1054, ext. 275, or csbigg@emoregon.org.

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