

LINKING LEARNING TO LIFE

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Giant Pumpkins to Set Sail in October!

Are you brave enough to paddle a giant pumpkin in front of 5,000 people? C'mon, we swear they float! The 3rd Annual Giant Pumpkin Regatta & Festival will be held on Sunday, October 10, 2010 from 10-3 p.m. at Burlington's Waterfront Park. We're looking for sponsor racers to compete for the coveted Giant Pumpkin Regatta Trophy and you could be one of them! New England Federal Credit Union, the lead event sponsor and last year's winner, will be defending their place in the race.

While the regatta is surely the most ridiculous part of the event, this year's festival will be bigger and better with a wide variety of food vendors and a farmers and crafts market. For the young ones, there will be kids' crafts from pumpkin painting, bouncy castles and fall cookie decorating. For the pets, they will have an opportunity to show off their style in a pet costume contest. Brave pie eaters will literally dive face first into pie eating contests. Pumpkin carving demos will take place and don't miss getting a snap shot in a giant pumpkin!

The Giant Pumpkin Regatta & Festival is an annual fundraiser to help support Linking Learning to Life's PILOT (Program to Inspire Leadership, Opportunity, and Thought) youth leadership program that is run jointly with

the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce. The vision behind PILOT is to motivate and empower young people to make a positive difference within their communities through leadership, creativity, and action.

Interested in sponsoring and racing a pumpkin? Contact Lindsey Lathrop from Linking Learning to Life at (802) 951-8849 or llathrop@bsdvt.org.

For a sponsorship registration packet or more information on the event, visit www.LLLvt.org/pumpkin.



Do you have interview-ready and business casual women's clothing that you would like to donate? This is exactly the type of clothing that Linking Learning to Life would like to distribute to the young women that participate in our programs and others seeking employment.

We are collecting now and will come to you to pick-up donations! Go to: www.LLLvt.org for our flyer or contact Lindsey to arrange pick-up: llathrop@bsdvt.org or (802) 951-8849.