

#### State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection Commission on Fire Prevention and Control

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## 1. CFA Bookstore - 20% OFF – Holiday Sale

The CFA Bookstore is having a **Holiday Sale starting November 30<sup>th</sup> ending on Dec.** 23<sup>rd</sup>. All apparel. (including CFA Instructor and Cert. Proctor apparel), collectibles, gift items, toys, all BOOKS, DVD's and USB's are 20% OFF. CFA bookstore items make unique holiday gifts for all the firefighters on your list, big or small!!! FREE GIFT WRAPPING is available. We can ship your holiday gifts for you!!! Stop by, give us a call or order by email. The bookstore is open 6 days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and until 8:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Pam Cooney 860-264-9271, pam.cooney@ct.gov or Karen Junguzza 860-264-9244, <u>karen.junguzza@ct.gov</u>.

Thanks, Pam and Karen CFA Bookstore

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# 2. NFPA Alternative Fuel Vehicles Safety Training Program

Please join us for the NFPA "Train the Trainer" Alternative Fuel Vehicles Safety Training Program. This course was created to provide guidance on how to safely deal with emergency situations involving alternative fuel passenger vehicles, trucks, buses, and commercial fleet vehicles. The recently revised training now covers electric, hybrid, fuel cell, and gaseous fuel vehicles, including CNG, LNG, and LPG. The program is free, but attendees will be responsible for their own meals. December 6, 2016 8am -5pm at the CT Fire Academy. Please see attached for more information and how to register.

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#### 3. CFDIA December Meeting Notice

The December meeting of the Connecticut Fire Department Instructors Association (CFDIA) will be held at the new North Farms Fire Station in Wallingford 864 North Farms Road on Wednesday, December 7th at 19:00 hours. The program will be the on the construction of the New North farms fire house and a facility tour.

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### 4. CFA Fire Service Instructor I Course – Cromwell Now Full!

Please be advised, the CT Fire Academy's Fire Service Instructor I course (Course #17218) scheduled to begin on January 11, 2017 is now full. To view the 2017 CFA Training Calendar visit: <u>http://www.ct.gov/cfpc/cwp/view.asp?Q=574030&A=832</u>

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### 5. MedEd Upcoming Classes

MedEd is pleased to announce two upcoming courses in the Month of December.

Full EMT & EMR Refresher Program Class will be held December 8th-11th Class Location will be 141 South Main St, Beacon Falls, CT 06403 Thursday-Friday 6pm-11pm Saturday-Sunday 8am-6pm Refresher includes AHA Healthcare Provider Recertification Cost \$180 Follow the link to register... http://shop.mededct.com/products/emergency-medical-technician-emergency-medicalresponder-refresher-emt-emr

Full Night EMT Program Class will be held December 20th - March 12th Class Location will be 141 South Main St, Beacon Falls, CT 06403 Class Meeting Times Tuesday and Thursday 6pm-10pm with some Sundays 8am-4pm Cost \$900 Follow the link to register... http://shop.mededct.com/products/december16emt Any questions or for group registration / discounts please contact Sean Cloney at <u>scloney@mededct.com</u> or 203-632-9247

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### 6. Risks of Occupational Exposure to Synthetic Opioids for First Responders

Information regarding first responders' exposure to Synthetic Opioids (E.G. Fentanyl) is available at: <u>https://www.fentanylsafety.com/</u>

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### 7. EMT-Initial Offered by Redding Fire & EMS Company 1

Redding Fire & EMS Company 1 is offering an EM Initial class to be held at Redding Ridge FD 186 Blackrock Turnpike beginning January 31, 2016 and meeting Tuesday and Thursday evenings as well as at least one Saturday each month. See the attached for additional information or call Christy, EMT Course Coordinator at 203-240-4340.

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#### 8. Gov. Malloy Directs State Flags to Half-Staff in Honor of State Rep. Betty Boukus

Governor Dannel P. Malloy today announced that he is directing the flag of the State of Connecticut to fly at half-staff in honor of State Representative Betty Boukus (D-New Britain, Plainville), who passed away early this morning. State flags should be lowered beginning immediately until sunset on the date of interment, which has not yet been determined.

Governor Malloy said, "Betty Boukus was one of the most passionate and most energetic legislators in the history of the Connecticut General Assembly. She loved being an elected official, specifically the opportunity to serve the people of her towns Plainville and New Britain in order to advocate for their best interests – and she made sure everybody knew it. With every meeting of any committee that she attended, she brought the ray of sunshine into the room, even on the gloomiest of days. The State of Connecticut has lost one of its most vociferous advocates and honorable public servants, and we are all deeply saddened by her loss. On behalf of the people of our state, I would like Betty's family to know how much we appreciated her spirit, her generosity, her character, and her service. She will truly be missed."

Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman said, "This is a very sad day for Connecticut. We've lost a truly dedicated legislator and an extraordinary woman. I was honored to work with Betty – she always kept the well-being of her constituents at the forefront of all of her efforts. She was smart and well-informed, and even during the toughest debates, she always led with compassion and humor. My thoughts are with Betty's husband Gary, her children, and grandchildren. I want to thank them and her entire family for sharing her with her Capitol family. She did lasting good work for Connecticut."

Office of Policy and Management Secretary Ben Barnes said, "Betty Boukus was a tremendous legislator and advocate, leaving behind an unparalleled legacy of success for her district and the state. But more than that, Betty was a kind and affable soul that put everyone at ease. Her constituents, her colleagues, and anyone who knew her were changed for the better by the experience. On behalf of OPM, we are going to miss a dear friend."

**Note:** Rep. Boukus was a long-time champion of Connecticut's Fire Service and Regional Fire Schools.