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### **CANA Returning to Virginia for Certification Program**

The Cremation Association of North America (CANA) has announced it will be returning to the Commonwealth of Virginia to provide its acclaimed **Crematory Operators Certification Program (COCP) on March 9, 2010 at the Omni Hotel in Charlottesville.**

In response to the Virginia State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers adoption of new regulations regarding operator certification, CANA certified over 100 attendees in Virginia in 2009. "There still seems to be some confusion on who can provide this certification," stated CANA program Chairman Mike Nicodemus. "Let me just say that training from your manufacturer is not accepted by the board."

CANA has been approved to provide this essential training. "CANA has designed this program not only for the operator, but the owner, manager, funeral director and even your company's administrative staff. I would say that over half of our attendees are licensed funeral directors, not just operators," Nicodemus said.

**This program will be held at the Omni Hotel, 235 West Main Street, Charlottesville, VA, 22902. For more information on this program, call Mike Nicodemus at Hollomon-Brown Funeral Home (757) 463-0150 or CANA Headquarters at (312) 245-1077.**