

## **CAHU February Newsletter**

### **President's Message**

CAHU hosted Charlotte Regional Partnership President Ronnie Bryant at our well-attended February meeting. He gave us valuable information about their role in marketing the 16-county "Charlotte USA" region throughout the world. They focus on recruiting and development in seven key sectors: manufacturing, defense & security, health & life sciences, energy & environment, finance & insurance, headquarters & back office, and data centers. Check them out at [www.charlotteusa.com](http://www.charlotteusa.com), Special thanks to our meeting sponsor, AFLAC.

Ten of our members are gearing up for an early March trip to Washington to represent CAHU at Capitol Conference. The attendees are listed on the CAHU website. Please email any of us with input or concerns you would like communicated to our elected officials or to NAHU leadership. We'll provide a full report in March's newsletter.

Our March meeting features new Charlotte Mayor Anthony Foxx. Please join us for the chance to hear Mayor Foxx's priorities for Charlotte in 2010. We'll allow ample time for questions following his presentation. Also, don't forget the annual NCAHU Symposium in Winston-Salem, April 13 and 14. This is a great opportunity for CE credit, fellowship and industry updates.

President Obama has organized a bipartisan, televised health reform summit, scheduled for February 25. Both parties plan to participate, and the Republicans are expected to use this forum as an opportunity to present alternatives to the House (3200) and Senate (3590) bills that a majority of Americans oppose. The White House has promised to release their health reform proposal ahead of the summit. Once again, I encourage each member of CAHU to remain involved in the political process and continue to communicate with your elected representatives. Our input is critical. Thanks for your support of our industry and association,

*-Nat Smith*