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**Agricultural Law Education Working Group March 2014 Quarterly Update**

- The Initiative attended and presented at the Maryland Farm Bureau's Annual meeting on December 8-11.
- University of Maryland Eastern Shore published an [article](#) in the UMES KEY Newsletter introducing UMES and the general public to the Agricultural Law Education Initiative.
- Briefed Delegate Addie Eckhardt to discuss the progress of the Agricultural Law Education Initiative.
- The Farmer Survey has been approved by the University internal review process and is currently awaiting approval by the third party survey service.
- On January 8, Will Pons and Dr. Kugler presented an update on the Agricultural Law Education Initiative to the Maryland Grain Producers Utilization board.
- University of Maryland Carey School of Law launched a course entitled "Food, Farming, and Sustainability," the first course of its kind at the Law School.
- Attended the Agriculture, Natural Resource, and Sea Grant Extension Program in Annapolis on January 14.
- On January 23, the Working Group briefed the Maryland Rural Delegation on the status of current projects and future plans of the Initiative.
- Representatives from the Initiative have attended winter meetings for Maryland farmers at the: Lower Shore, Cecil county, Frederick county, Howard county Harford county, and Queen Anne's county.
- On January 28, Paul Goeringer presented at the Delmarva Poultry Industry Growers Committee dinner which was also attended by Dr. Schwarz and Will Pons who help to promote the Agricultural Law Education Initiative.
- On February 20, Paul Goeringer and Will Pons made presentations at the regional Women in Agriculture conference on issues of premise/ livestock liability and risk management.
- Planning and preparing for the American Agricultural Law Association regional meeting at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law this summer.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

