ALCE 100th Anniversary Gala Program

Welcome from ALCE Department Head
Rick Rudd

Greetings from CALS
Dean Alan Grant

Introduction of the Gala Planning Committee
Donna Westfall-Rudd

Introduction of the Voices of ALCE Book
Karen Vines

Dinner

Founding of FFA on the Virginia Tech Campus
Claire Seibel
Virginia State FFA Officer

Reflection on Agricultural Education at Virginia Tech Panel
Rick Rudd

Graduate Student Perspectives
Asha Shayo and Lane Woodward

Undergraduate Student Perspectives
Erin Small and Kate Stevens

The Future of ALCE
Rick Rudd
Kim Niewolny
Eric Kaufman
Donna Westfall-Rudd

ALCE Video Premier
Tiffany Drape

Department Message
Rick Rudd
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