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### **Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program prepares for 2018 Dream Auction gala fundraiser**

GUELPH, ON, Oct. 16, 2017 – The Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program (AALP) is busy preparing for the 2018 AALP Dream Auction that will take place February 10, 2018 at the Delta Guelph Hotel and Conference Centre. The biennial event is a major fundraiser in support of the [AALP](#) executive development program, and brings together Ontario's agriculture leaders and AALP alumni for an evening of support and celebration of the current [AALP Class 17](#).

“As a recent AALP graduate, I can attest to the importance of this program, and the positive experience that AALP has provided to me, my classmates, and more than 400 alumni over the past 30 years,” said Andy McTaggart, co-chair of the 2018 AALP Dream Auction.

The AALP Dream Auction is a gala event that will feature live and silent auctions throughout the evening. The committee is requesting items for the auction, and if you would like to make a donation, please do so online at [aalpdreamauction.com/donations](http://aalpdreamauction.com/donations).

“The Dream Auction is a celebration event that brings AALP alumni and the Ontario agriculture industry together to share our experiences and support the current class to create their own,” says 2018 AALP Dream Auction co-chair, Adrienne Houle.

Early bird tickets are on sale now for \$90 each until December 31, 2017, and can be purchased online at [aalpdreamauction.com](http://aalpdreamauction.com). For more event details, follow the 2018 AALP Dream Auction on [Facebook/AALP Dream Auction](#) and Twitter [@AALPDream](#).

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The 2018 AALP Dream Auction will take place February 10, 2018 at the Delta Guelph Hotel and Conference Centre.

**About the Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program:**

During the 19-month program, AALP participants learn about leadership and organizational development theories and practices, government and political processes, economics, trade policy, global affairs, sector and industry related issues in Ontario and globally through North American and international study travel components. AALP is delivered by the Rural Ontario Institute (ROI).

Established in 1984, the Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program (AALP) has graduated almost 450 leaders who are making a positive difference across Ontario and beyond. For more information, visit [www.aalp.on.ca](http://www.aalp.on.ca)