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## Provost's appreciation for Dean Breese

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To: faculty@cnu.edu, employees@cnu.edu

As Provost, I congratulate Dean Steven Breese for serving as a successful and effective inaugural Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities. Since his appointment in 2009, Dean Breese has provided exceptional leadership in the areas of curriculum; faculty development; hiring; budgeting; and the promotion of the academic areas of CNU's arts and humanities departments and programs. He worked collaboratively with offices across campus--such as ITS, the registrar, advancement, and admission--so as to enhance and enrich the student academic experience. He worked diligently to create transparent processes and to respond to individual needs. He facilitated the move-in into McMurran and worked tirelessly to reduce class sizes, add faculty where they were most needed, and worked with countless students on an individual basis to help solve problems and support student success and academic rigor. The visiting lectures and guest artists in areas related to the arts and humanities have greatly increased under his guidance, and he helped to create a voice for faculty scholars in the Scholarship Matters series. He attended campus events and nurtured a culture of inquiry and creativity by embodying and modeling these human expressions. Whether he was needed to provide bold vision for strategic planning or to solve the problems of the day, Steven was present, offering enthusiasm and expertise.

President Tribble and I convey special thanks to Dean Breese for producing and narrating CNU's remarkable 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration which showcased the incredible talent of our

students, faculty and alumni  
as we remembered the past and looked forward to the years ahead.

Thank you, Dean Breese.

Provost Padilla

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