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*Susan Kajfasz*

### **Department Head Promoted to Dean in Terra Divisional Reorganization**

The former head of the Nursing Department at Terra Community College has been promoted to dean of a new division in the college's latest reorganization.

Susan Kajfasz is the new dean of the Allied Health, Nursing and Science Division.

She has a Master's of Science of Nursing from Medical College of Ohio and is a Nurse Executive, Board Certified and a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Community Health Nursing.

Kajfasz came to Terra more than a year ago having retired from the Ohio Department of Mental Health. Her last 19 years with the department she served as the Vice President of Nursing for three psychiatric hospitals in the Toledo-Cleveland area.

She and her husband live outside of Green Springs. They have two sons, Alex, who is serving in the military in Korea, and Tony, who is a student at the University of Toledo, and a grandson.

"I am honored to be selected to fulfill this position and I love challenges," Kajfasz said.

The other two divisions, Liberal Arts and Public Services and Business, Engineering Technologies and Workforce Development, were slightly altered with the new structure.

"We chose to restructure the two divisions into three to meet the growing academic needs and the new programs being offered at Terra," said Lisa Jozwiak, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Several examples of growth in the allied health arena include the Clinical Laboratory Science Technology collaboration that began this fall with Lorain Community College, a Physical Therapist Assistant program that will begin next fall with Owens Community College, and nursing classes that will begin not only in the fall but the spring as well.

"There's been such an increase in our science offerings and a rapid growth in the allied health programs," Jozwiak said. "We know that we must continue increasing opportunities in these areas to meet job demands."

Other aspects of the restructuring include moving the Business department to what was previously the Engineering Technologies and Workforce Development Division under Dean Bruce Meyer and moving the sciences to the new division. Dr. Nancy Sattler will continue as dean of the Liberal Arts and Public Services division.