

## Council on Aging hires new volunteer and communication specialist

### *Meals on Wheels drivers needed*

**MENTOR**—The Lake County Council on Aging has named Lauren MacLaren as its Volunteer and Communication Specialist. In this newly created position, MacLaren is responsible for managing, recruiting and coordinating the Council's volunteer department and programs. She will also act as a liaison between the community and the agency which serves all of Lake County.

She joins the team bringing five year's experience in volunteer recruitment and management at Cuyahoga Community College. She is a graduate of Cleveland State's Levin College of Urban Affairs with a master's degree in nonprofit administration and leadership.

The Council on Aging offers a variety of volunteer opportunities, including friendly visitor, grocery shopper, dining room servers, Meals on Wheels packers, and of course drivers. Approximately 600 active volunteers make up the core team of professional helpers who assist the Council deliver its many senior services.

Currently the agency is recruiting volunteers to deliver food for the Meals on Wheels program. Volunteer drivers deliver lunchtime meals to homebound seniors one or more business days each week between 10:30 a.m. and noon. At present there is a critical need for eight volunteers in the Kirtland area. Volunteer drivers are also needed at locations in Eastlake, Madison, Mentor, Painesville-Fairport and Wickliffe.

If interested in volunteering, or to let the council know of someone who could benefit from one of their volunteer services, call MacLaren at (440) 205-8111 x228 or visit [www.lccoa.org](http://www.lccoa.org) to learn how to help as a volunteer in Lake County.