

## **Lee County Veterinary Technician Receives Award**

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Fort Myers, FL, 9/8/08 - Lee County Animal Services Veterinary Technician Maria Raiche was presented with an award from South Fort Myers High School Veterinary Instructor Mark Jones during a recent LCAS employee meeting. Instructor Jones thanked LCAS and also veterinary technician Maria Raiche for the wonderful partnership between the two organizations in providing training opportunities and observations for students to learn first-hand about veterinary topics and procedures such as spay/neuter surgeries and animal care.

LCAS also thanked Instructor Jones and Principal Tommy O'Connell for their support and cooperation in utilizing the South Fort Myers High School as an emergency pet shelter in the event of necessary evacuations due to natural or man-made emergencies. The high school was recently utilized during Tropical Storm Fay to temporarily house animals and their owners during evacuation efforts along the barrier areas.

If you would like more information about Lee County Animal Services veterinary programs and services for the public, please contact LCAS at 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or visit the website at [www.LeeLostPets.com](http://www.LeeLostPets.com).

Photo Information: Pictured (left to right): Donna Ward, Director, Lee County Animal Services; Maria Raiche, Lee County Animal Services Veterinary Technician; South Fort Myers High School Veterinary Instructor, Mark Jones; and South Fort Myers High School Principal, Tommy O'Connell.



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