

**Summer 2011 EB Meeting
Volusia County MTA Report**

Volusia County MTA has had a successful year. Dr. Michael Rickman was honored with being named a Steinway Artist. Also, Dr. Rickman coordinates Piano Weekend at Stetson University each year. Dr. Rose Grace and Dr. Philip Paglialonga performed "An Afternoon of French Music" for our initial meeting of the year. Our students' recitals, District Student Day, Honors Evaluations, Concerto Competition and District Honors Recital kept our students involved in making music. Our teachers learned from programs on pedagogy and from watching videos: "Barenboim's Masterclass on Beethoven" and Cameron Huster's Doctoral Harp Recital (Cameron is a product of the excellent teaching of VCMTA teachers Frances Gordon and Dr. Michael Rickman). Our small group provides many scholarships and performance opportunities for our community.

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