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Aftermath of a collision on the sharp curve of Bass Lake Road.

## RECENT ACCIDENT ON BASS LAKE ROAD

The sharp curve on Bass Lake Road was the scene of another accident on Thursday morning, July 30, at around 9:00 AM. According to persons who reportedly talked to one of the drivers, one car allegedly crossed over the centerline and struck the other. No injuries were reported.

Over the years the Bulletin has reported a number of accidents that have occurred on this section of Bass Lake Road. People who live near the curve generally believe that excessive speed going into the curve has been the cause of most of those accidents. Long-time residents say that the number of accidents involving cars leaving the road has declined since the county grooved the pavement on the curve around ten years ago.

The conditions at the curve are scheduled to be improved when the south segment of Silver Springs Parkway is extended down to Bass Lake Road sometime around 2017 or 2018, according to the county Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

That project will construct the southern segment of Silver Springs Parkway as a two-lane road connecting Bass Lake Road to the southern terminus of the northern segment

of Silver Springs Parkway. The northern segment has been completed but is currently closed to traffic. The southern portion of the parkway will intersect Bass Lake Road at the present sharp curve.

The project would also realign and reconstruct Bass Lake Road for a distance of approximately 800 feet south and approximately 500 feet east of the Silver Springs Parkway intersection. The project includes installation of Class II bicycle lanes and concrete sidewalks on both sides of the parkway, and a landscaped center median. The project is identified in the El Dorado County CIP as "Silver Springs Parkway to Bass Lake Road (south segment)" ~



## CELEBRATE LABOR DAY

Labor Day in the United States is a holiday celebrated on the first Monday in September. This year it will fall on September 7th. It is a celebration of the American labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of their country.

Over the years Labor Day has come to symbolize the end of Summer and the official beginning to a new cycle of the school year for students and their families. A three-day weekend gives everyone a last celebration of fun and outdoor activities before things get back to school and work. ~



## EDH SENIOR TAXI VOUCHERS GET CRANKING

The proposed taxi voucher program for El Dorado Hills senior citizens, which was apparently stalled for a while, is back in gear.

Persons familiar with the proposed program say that a contract with a local taxi company is slated to be presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval in the near future, with service starting in a month or two. Negotiations with a second taxi company are currently underway and an agreement is expected to be completed

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

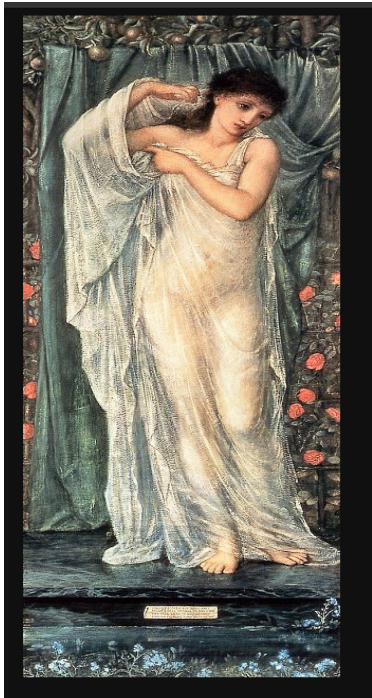
Hello All,

This month, a short Bulletin. We hope you have a wonderful August. Have a good time, for before long we head into Fall, with its cooling weather and falling leaves. Have an enjoyable Labor Day.

Sincerely,

*John E. Thomson*

President



Summer, Edward Burne-Jones

### Midsummer Joys

Give me the joys of summer,  
Of Summer Queen so fair,  
With wealth of lovely flowers  
And fruits and sun-kissed air!

Talk not to me of winter  
With ice and frost and snow,  
Nor changing spring and autumn  
When howling winds will blow.

No, I will take the joys  
Of Summer every time,  
So to this Queen of Seasons  
I dedicate my rhyme.

—Winifred Sackville Stoner

## SENIOR TAXI *(continued)*

soon, according to our sources.

The service is considered a demonstration project, and is being provided in lieu of fixed route bus services, which currently would be overly expensive to operate and for which there is little in the way of infrastructure within the community.

For more further information, call (916) 358-3575. ~

## BLAC DIRECTOR TO SERVE ON GRAND JURY

The Honorable Dylan Sullivan presided over the swearing in of El Dorado County's 2015-16 Grand Jury and filed the formal notice June 25. This year's jury includes Hal Erpenbeck, a member of the Board of Directors of Bass Lake Action Committee.

The El Dorado Civil Grand Jury is an investigatory body created for the protection of society and the enforcement of the law. It is an arm of the Court and a representative of the public. Although it is an arm of the Court, it operates independently of direct Court supervision. It is a check against governmental authority. It is not a branch of the County, nor is it answerable to the District Attorney

Suzanne Thurman, grand jury coordinator and administrative analyst, said that typically the grand jury impanels 18 members, one foreman and four or five alternates. Jurors participated in grand jury training July 1-2 sponsored by the California Grand Jury Association. ~

*Credit: Chris Daley, Mt. Democrat*



## BLAC BOARD MET IN AUGUST, TO MEET AGAIN IN NOVEMBER

The Board of Directors met on Monday August 3rd. The board discussed landscape and lighting districts, traffic calming efforts in residential neighborhoods, and took up other pertinent business.

The next regular board of directors meeting of the Bass Lake Action Committee will be held on Monday, November 2, at 7:00 PM at the home of John and Fran Thomson, 501 Kirkwood Court in Woodridge, El Dorado Hills, 530-677-3039.

As always, all BLAC members are cordially invited to attend all meetings. For further information about BLAC meetings and membership, please contact Vice President Kathy Prevost at 530-672-6836. ~

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