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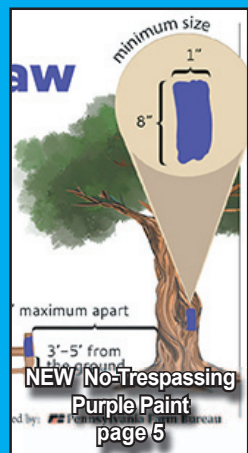
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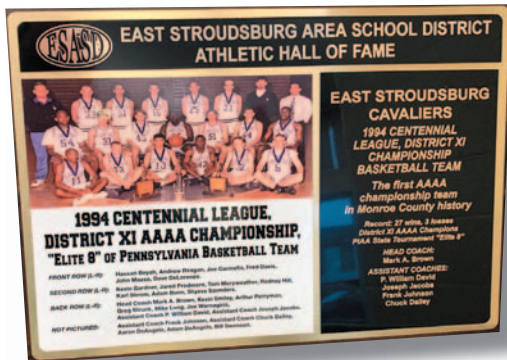
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East Stroudsburg H.S. Hall of Fame Inductees

By Michael Ortoski

EAST STROUDSBURG - The East Stroudsburg Area School District Athletic Hall of Fame (HOF) inducted three new members and one of their greatest athletic teams this past Friday night to a packed house at East Stroudsburg High School South.

HOF Board member, former AD Dir., coach and Hall of Fame himself Mark Brown led the evening recalling memories and enshrining each inductee for their accomplishments calling each to the podium.

The honorees for night were Ray Gallagher (ESHS Class of 1965), Chris Lynch (ES North, Class of 2004) and Dan Stout (ESHS, Class of 1981) and the Cavaliers basketball team from 1993-94 season.

The festivities began with light refreshments at the East Strouds-

Northampton County Regrets To Report

By Northampton County Executive Lamont G. McClure

EASTON - Northampton County regrets to report that we will not be able to provide results of the April 28th Primary on election night. The failure of the Election Commission to approve the purchase of Electronic Poll Books (ePoll Books) at their January 30th meeting means



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burg High School-SOUTH library, followed by the actual induction ceremony. Then, the honorees were again honored at halftime of the North/South boys' game which was a basketball doubleheader the girls playing first.

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that unofficial results will not be available until sometime in May.

Under the Home Rule Charter, these Commissioners were hand-picked by the Democratic and Republican Party Chairs—Matt Munsey and Gloria "Lee" Snover.

Major changes were made to the Election Code in October of 2019. Act 77 is an historic reform which makes voting more convenient by extending time for citizens to register and to send in mail-in and absentee ballots. However, that convenience comes with an accelerated timeline. Previously, voter registration ended thirty days before an election, now it's fifteen. Registrations received at County offices on April 15th won't be uploaded to the state system for several days. Providing that we can find a printer willing to take the job, (NTS, the printer we've used for years, is pulling out of Pennsylvania) all materials will have to be delivered to the print shop three to four weeks in advance. Any printed poll books produced for the election will be inaccurate, so an additional list of late filers will have to be produced.

Verifying names on two separate lists will substantially slow down the lines at the polls, especially since turnout this year is expected to be heavy. Results will be delayed for weeks because, after the polls

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Seeking Nominations for Northampton County Awards

By Becky Bartlett

EASTON - Lamont McClure and the Department of Community and Economic Development will hold Northampton County's second annual Memorial Day Festival on Saturday, May 23, 2020 at Louise Moore Park. The program will include an award's ceremony for Outstanding Volunteer, Outstanding Youth, Outstanding Veteran, Outstanding Emergency Personnel and Economic Development.

To nominate a deserving individual, please send an email with a 250 word essay on the nominee's impact on the County and why they deserve to win the award to Debi@fun-nominalevents.com. Winners will be selected by an awards committee.

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