ESSA Bancorp, Inc. Form 8-K	
August 01, 2018	
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE (WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549	COMMISSION
FORM 8-K	
CURRENT REPORT	
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE A	
Date of Report (Date of earliest eve	nt reported): August 1, 2018
ESSA Bancorp, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Speci	fied in its Charter)
Pennsylvania 001-33	<u>384</u> <u>20-8023072</u>
(State or Other Jurisdiction) (Comn File No	nission (I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)	Identification No.)
200 Palmer Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania	<u>18360</u>
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, inclu	uding area code: (570) 421-0531
Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address,	if Changed Since Last Papart)
(Former Name of Former Address,	in Changed Since East Report)
* * *	the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation owing provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
[] Written communications pursua	ant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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[] Pre-commencement communica CFR 240.14d-2(b))	ations pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17
[] Pre-commencement communica CFR 240.13e-4(c))	ations pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On August 1, 2018, the Board of Directors of ESSA Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") approved a stock repurchase program pursuant to which the Company may repurchase up to 400,000 shares of its common stock.

A copy of the press release announcing the stock repurchase program is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated August 1, 2018, announcing the stock repurchase program.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

ESSA BANCORP, INC.

DATE: August 1, 2018

By: <u>/s/ Gary S. Olson</u>
Gary S. Olson, President and
Chief Executive Officer