

In Memoriam
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“HEAVEN’S VERY SPECIAL CHILD”

A meeting was held quite far from earth,
“It’s time again for another birth.”
Said the angels to the Lord above,
“This special child will need much love.”

“Their progress may be very slow,
Accomplishments they may not show.
And they’ll require extra care
From the folks they meet down there.”

“They may not run or laugh or play,
Their thoughts may seem quite far away.
In many ways they won’t adapt,
And they’ll be know as ‘Handicapped.’”

“So let’s be careful where they’re sent.
We want their lives to be content.
Please, Lord, find the parents who
Will do a special job for you.”

“They will not realize right away
The leading role they are asked to play.
But with this child sent from above
Comes stronger faith and richer love.”

“And soon they’ll know the privilege given
In caring for their special gift from Heaven.

Their precious charge, so meek and mild,
Is heaven’s very special child.”

Author: unknown



Thomas Dale presents
"Eleemosynary,"
"Spelling Bee"

The Thomas Dale Theater department will present two productions next week. “Eleemosynary” will be performed Thursday, May 4 at 3 p.m., Friday, May 5 at 7 p.m., and Saturday, May 6 at 3 p.m. The “25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee” will be performed Thursday, May 4 at 7 p.m., Friday, May 5 at 3 p.m., and Saturday, May 6 at 7 p.m.

“Eleemosynary,” directed by Sophia Anthony (TDHS Specialty Center for the Arts, class of 2018), is a heartwarming and intimate production about the relationship of three generations of women, the youngest of whom happens to be a National Spelling Bee competitor. Join a talented trio of actresses behind the curtain in the small auditorium and experience theater at TDHS in a whole new way.

The “25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” directed by Caroline Buddendorf (TDHS Specialty

Center for the Arts, class of 2017), is a heartwarming and hilarious musical comedy about the highs and lows of competition in a county spelling bee. Six endearing and eager young spellers fight for the title of spelling bee champion, while overbearing, irritating, even omnipotent adults oversee their competition. Adding to the pandemonium of the bee, each performance will feature three unwitting and unrehearsed guest spellers, announced only the day of the performance.

All matinee shows are \$5 and evening shows are \$10. The shows will be held in Thomas Dale High School small auditorium with only 50 seats available. Tickets will be sold at the door. All shows contain mature themes and they are suitable for audiences.

Thomas Dale High School is located at 3626 W. Hundred Rd. Chester.

Medication take-back set for April 29

CHESTERFIELD – The Chesterfield Police Department, DEA, Chesterfield Sheriff’s Office, and SAFE will help community members safely dispose of expired and unneeded medications

The Medication Take-Back is Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Ettrick Elementary School, located at 20910 Chesterfield Ave. Police, DEA agents, and volunteers will be on hand to collect unused or expired prescription and over-the-counter medications. Residents should leave medications in their original containers. Needles, syringes, and other “sharps” will not be accepted.

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