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ROTO-ROOTER INC  
Form 8-K  
May 27, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported):  
May 17, 2004

CHEMED CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware   | 1-8351                   | 31-0791746                                    |
| (State or other<br>jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification<br>Number) |

2600 Chemed Center, 255 East 5th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:  
(513) 762-6900

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Item 5. Other Events

The Registrant announced May 27, 2004, that it has completed the redemption of the Convertible Trust Preferred Securities of the Chemed Capital Trust as of May 17, 2004.

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Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

c) Exhibits  
(99.1) Registrant's press release dated May 27, 2004.

SIGNATURES

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

CHEMED CORPORATION

Dated: May 27, 2004  
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By: /s/ Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.  
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Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.  
Vice President and Controller