

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/

Form 8-K

December 06, 2002

**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): December 4, 2002

**THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

Ohio
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1-1927

34-0253240

1144 East Market Street, Akron, Ohio
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

44316-0001

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (330) 796-2121

Item 5. Other Events

On December 4, 2002, The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company issued a news release announcing the resignation of Philip A. Laskawy from its Board of Directors. The news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Exhibits

**Designation of
Exhibits in this Report**

99.1

Description of Exhibit

News Release dated December 4, 2002.

Signature

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.

THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER
COMPANY

Date: December 6, 2002

By /s/ Robert W. Ticken

Robert W. Ticken
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer