

A good time for Goodyear

The DeSoto economic Development Corporation hosted a groundbreaking for Shipman Goodyear Tire Center to be constructed on Hampton Road at the north-west corner of Embassy Park.

Economic Development Board member, Gail Douglas, told the crowd of city representatives, chamber members and friends, that "the DEDC is proud to assist quality companies such as Shipman Goodyear, in opening businesses in DeSoto." The DEDC provided a grant of up to \$33,681 to fund the construction of a left-hand turn lane on Hampton Road, which will make the new business more accessible to northbound traffic. On hand at the groundbreaking were Pierce and Jimmy Monkres, Bank of DeSoto, N.A., who will be financing the building and equipment for the new car care center and representatives from the Graves & Choate Construction Co., who indicated



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Members of the DeSoto Chamber of Commerce and the city welcome Goodyear Tire to the city with a groundbreaking ceremony Dec.16 on Embassey Park.

that the building will be constructed in record time and should be ready for business in April 2004. The Shipman family are the owners/operators of the Goodyear Tire Center in

Duncanville and "feel the timing is right to expand their business to the growing city of DeSoto."