

Our 175th Year • 1833-2008

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAST 1839-1841

*As we celebrate 175 years, we take a look
at our history and the world around us
through News-Sentinel archives.*

1839

- ◆ The present Trinity Episcopal Church is established.
- ◆ Louis-Jacques-Mandé Daguerre invents new photography method (daguerreotype).
- ◆ Mississippi is first state to recognize property rights of married female citizens.
- ◆ First Whig convention held at Harrisburg, Pa.
- ◆ Mormons found Nauvoo, Ill.

1840

- ◆ William Henry Harrison elected ninth president of the United States.
- ◆ First Christmas tree appears in Fort Wayne.
- ◆ State legislature approves Fort Wayne's city charter; George W. Wood elected first mayor.
- ◆ Body of Napoleon Bonaparte exhumed from St. Helena and moved to Paris.
- ◆ Organization of the first music band in Fort Wayne.
- ◆ Samuel Bigger elected Indiana governor.
- ◆ Fort Wayne's population reaches nearly 2,100.

1841

- ◆ Death of President Harrison; John Tyler becomes 10th president.
 - ◆ \$50,000 appropriated by Congress for the construction of Fort Wayne.
 - ◆ The Wayne guards, first military organization in Fort Wayne, is established.
 - ◆ Anti-abolition riots in Cincinnati.
 - ◆ Ontario and Quebec unite as Canadian provinces.
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