

Our 175th Year · 1833-2008

# A JOURNEY THROUGH THE PAST 1842-1844

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

## 1842

- ◆ Joseph Morgan is elected second mayor of Fort Wayne.
- ◆ Ether is used for the first time as an anesthetic by Dr. Crawford Williamson Long in Jefferson, Ga.

## 1843

- ◆ First telegraph line in the United States is opened from Washington to Baltimore.
- ◆ James Whitcomb becomes governor of Indiana.
- ◆ Great Wabash & Erie Canal celebration held July 4; waterway opened between Lafayette and Lake Erie.
- ◆ Henry Lotz is chosen as mayor of Fort Wayne.
- ◆ The daguerreotype — an early type of photograph developed by Louis Daguerre — is introduced into Fort Wayne.
- ◆ Gen. Lewis Cass visits city.

## 1844

- ◆ Remnants of the Miami nation are taken to the Western reservation under government escort.
- ◆ Abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher establishes Second Presbyterian Church and holds a series of evangelistic meetings in the Allen County Courthouse.  
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