



Lights and Sirens At TFM

The Texas Fire Museum will soon have a new display for visitors to view our extensive collection of emergency lights and sirens. The display will also be featured on the new TFM website, so that "virtual" visitors can see it as well. Member Dale Boeth, aka: "Beacon Man", is organizing the effort, which includes repairing, cleaning, cataloging, and taking pictures and video of all the various lights and sirens. Dale has brought a number of unique beacons and sirens from his personal collection to include in the display. To show off the exhibit, V.P. Graydon Vandament, aka: "Wood Man", has started to fabricate new mirrored display cases to show off the lights while in operation. The exhibit will feature a programmable logic controller that will randomly turn each individual light, beacon and siren on for visitors to view as they learn about the history and features of each item in the collection.

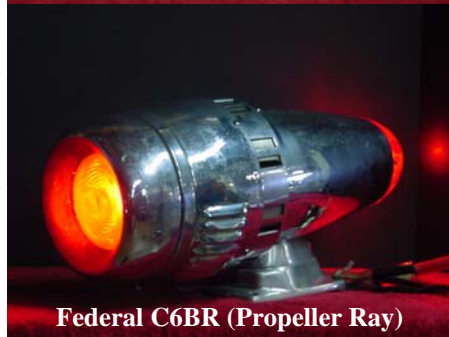
Member Dr. Evan Capron, aka: "Dr. Programmer", is developing the new TFM website. Visitors will be able to view the digital videos that Dale is taking of each light, siren and apparatus.



Mars DX40, SN 1090 (Chicago)



Dale cataloging the Mars DX40



Federal C6BR (Propeller Ray)



Light display—"Lit Up"

We hope to have the new web pages finished within the next few months. The website will be extensive and will be a unique opportunity for those who live outside the Dallas metroplex to experience the Texas Fire Museum from their own computer.

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Meeting Notice: The Texas Fire Museum & North Texas Historical Fire Society will be conducting their monthly business meeting on Saturday, March 20, 2004, at 9:00 AM. A work session will follow. Breakfast will be served between 8:00 and 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon.

Reminder: The Downtown Dallas St. Patrick's Parade will be Sunday, March 14th. Contact TFM immediately if you wish to participate.