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REVISITING YOUR YOUTH IS JUST A SHORT DRIVE AWAY

NAPOLEON, Ohio – Have you ever wished you could return to those days long ago when you were driving a '67 Corvette down a country road on a sunny day, horsepower growling from under the hood and your sweetheart by your side?

Well, by taking a short drive, you can be there in no time.

In the unassuming town of Napoleon, Ohio, just 35 miles southwest of Toledo, is ProTeam Classic Corvette Collection and Sales, where the largest inventory of classic Corvettes in the world is showcased.

As you walk past all the models representative of every body type of Corvette, your mind will soon return to a place you thought you had forgotten. Memories will be reawakened. Fantasies will be relived.

As you walk through the unassuming showroom, you won't see tiled floors, carpeting or wallpaper. Instead, you'll be feasting your eyes on nearly \$20 million worth of noteworthy Corvettes on display; nearly 200 classics at any time.

At least one Corvette from each generation of production is on hand, and restorers and enthusiasts can find a vehicle in any variety of conditions--from project car to a fully-restored award winner. Yes, that's right. These classics aren't just on display for show. They're for sale to the right owner.

So how did this classic horsepower heaven come to fruition? Corvette enthusiast and entrepreneur Terry L. Michaelis and his brother Frederick founded ProTeam as the result of a 37-year love affair with the Corvette marque.

It all began when Terry Michaelis began selling used cars at his cousin's Ohio dealership in 1971. On his 21st birthday, Michaelis applied for a used car dealer's license and was soon the owner of his own dealership.

In 1974, he purchased his first Corvette, a wrecked 1961, for a mere \$250. Within a week, he sold the car's hardtop for \$300, and soon provided parts to Corvette collectors and restorers across the United States. Michaelis began to find it difficult to purchase discontinued Corvette parts so he began to manufacture hard-to-find parts. Becoming America's "King of the Corvette Aftermarket" business, he providing hard-to-find parts to a fast-growing number of hobbyists and collectors, while continuing to sell renovated or restored Corvettes.

By the mid-80s, the collector car market exploded and prices for Corvettes increased dramatically. With collectors hungry for restored and concours-quality Corvettes, Terry and Fred formed ProTeam Classic Corvette Collection and Sales in 1987. Buying several Corvettes at a time, often 20 or more, ProTeam was selling more than 300 of the marque annually.

ProTeam quickly grew from a small, independent specialty dealership into a 60,000 square-foot facility that currently includes five buildings dedicated as showrooms, a body and trim shop, a mechanic shop and restoration areas.

With the advent of the Internet, ProTeam's customers can now span the globe to resource their favorite classic courtesy of a user-friendly Web site where its inventory is updated daily with new vehicle listings.

Clientele can be found in all 50 states and more than 40 countries, including Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Malta, Gibraltar, New Caledonia, Botswana, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Zimbabwe, the principality of Monaco and most

countries in Europe. Actors, entertainers, rock legends, racecar drivers, sports stars and auto industry VIPs are among its thousands of satisfied patrons.

ProTeam has many award winning vehicles on its roster; displayed at major auctions and Corvette gatherings around the United States. Fully restored, renovated Corvettes, formerly owned by ProTeam, have been awarded with many National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) Top Flight Awards, Bloomington Gold Awards and Best of Show honors and have been featured at Corvette events across America, including the Bloomington Gold Special Collection as well as Corvettes at Carlisle and the Chicago Vette Fest.

DIRECTIONS:

ProTeam is conveniently located on Route 108, just south of the Route 6/Route 24 bypass; 13 miles south of I-80 (Ohio Turnpike) at Exit 3/34; or 30 minutes west of I-75 at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Close to any major metropolitan area:

- 25 minutes from Toledo, Ohio
- 1-1/2 hour from Detroit, Mich.
- 3-1/2 hours from Chicago, Ill.
- 2-1/4 hours from Cleveland, Ohio
- 4 hours from Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 50 minutes from Ft. Wayne or Auburn, Ind.
- 2-1/2 hours from Columbus, Ohio
- 3 hours from Cincinnati, Ohio
- Fly-ins should use either the Toledo or Detroit airports for commercial flights, or the Henry County Airport/Napoleon for private flights (5,000 paved).

ProTeam Classic Corvette Collection and Sales, based in Napoleon, Ohio, showcases the largest inventory of classic Corvettes in the world. Almost \$20 million worth of Corvettes are displayed in 90,000 square feet of showrooms and restoration facilities in Napoleon and Auburn, Ind., with nearly 200 classic Corvettes on display at any time. For additional information, contact ProTeam at P.O. Box 606, Napoleon, Ohio 43545, call 888.592.5086 or visit www.proteamcorvette.com.

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