

## MVC SPENDS THE DAY WITH A CORVETTE LOVERS IN LINESVILLE!

On Saturday morning, May 20th MVC members met up at Greenwood Hubbard Chevrolet and paraded up Route 7 through Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties. Our Shenango Corvette cousins even got in the line with us. We all made it to the destination for The Bair's Corvettes 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette & Classic Car Cruise- In and Open house.

Tucked away on Franklin Street in the town of Linesville, Pennsylvania is Corvette palace with some truly amazing cars. Bair's Corvettes has been supplying the country and in some cases the world with perfect parts.

It all started in 1970 when Yogi (Harold) Bair began using and selling a special bonding material to repair the fiberglass machines. From that time the business has evolved in to specializing in parts for 1963 to 1982 Corvettes. From a rear wheel bearing and trailing arm rebuild to a complete suspension overall Bair's has the parts, facility and experience to do the job correctly. In my opinion better than the factory did from the assembly line.

Brian Bair, Yogi's son, is now the front man of the successful Corvette business. Brian still specializes in the C2 and C3 model however is a true Corvette enthusiast. He is a living breathing Corvette encyclopedia and if you have a question about your car I suggest you start by asking Brian Bair.

The car cruise hosted by Bair's allowed MVC behind the closed doors of the parts warehouse, parts restoration facility and garage. On the lift was Brian's personal 1975 Corvette L-82. A rare 1 of only 144 made with an off road suspension and brake package and a four speed. The car was a complete wreck and brought back to life more than 30 years ago. The vehicle has stood the test of time and the dedication and experience the Bair's staff has is displayed in this car. The frame, suspension and engine are in perfect condition.

Bair's has more than just a restoration shop. They also have a somewhat of nice collection of Corvettes that were on display. They include a 1967 Corvette Big Block convertible and a 2010 Corvette ZR1 that is #327 off the assembly line. A fitting number for a Corvette enthusiast.

One of the most unique Corvettes in the Bair collection is 1966 Corvette Big Block convertible barn find. The car was dragged out from under a tree where it sat for years. The car had its mechanical components serviced and that's where the Bair's team stopped. The car is driven and put on display as a running driving barn find! If you look closely you can see the massive amount of pine needles and debris collected inside of the vents throughout the years. The interior is far from concourse and the paint is way beyond nice driver! However the car looks super fun to drive and Brian says it gets plenty of attention!

The Bair's obviously love Corvettes but also get revved up by all classic cars. Many classic cars from nearly every generation lined the streets of Linesville for what turned out to be a beautiful afternoon. Some very unique rides were put on display next to the MVC tent and flags. The local rotary club and senior center also provided some great food and drinks! The show is put on for a good cause too. Money raised helps benefit Hospice of Crawford County & Lakeland Valley Regional Senior Community Center.

For more information about Bair's Corvettes check out their website <a href="www.Bairscorvette.com">www.Bairscorvette.com</a>. The categories are broken down by generation from C1 to C6 and have more information about this great business that has been successfully serving customers for nearly 50 years! — Jason Mauro.