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DISCOVERIES A MOTOR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

You pamper your classic car like the treasure it is, polishing it with a diaper, rubbing cream into the leather upholstery, shining the chrome as if it was heirloom silver. You wouldn't think of storing your Bugatti or vintage T-bird in your garage, but where to keep it safe from the ravages of weather and possible theft?

How about a former auto plant that has been converted into weather-safe storage for vintage cars, boats and even motor homes?

"People are buying their own garage space back," says

Greg Bawol, co-owner of Classic Vehicle Storage, housed in a former GM auto plant, built on Junction, near Michigan Ave., in Detroit.

Vehicles are stored on upper, wooden floors in a very

dry environment, important to auto collectors, according to Bawol. You keep the keys, and can take the vehicle in or out at any time the building is staffed. Owners provide their own insurance.



JOHN STANO

The vast building, where Bawol and partner Norm Anchor have been storing wheels for about two years, can house up to 450 vehicles.

The monthly rental fee for cars is \$60 per month. Motor home storage costs \$3 per foot of the vehicle's length per month. Boat storage costs \$3 per foot of the length of the trailer the boat is stored on. Any pre-paid rental of five months gets you one additional month free. ■

Classic Vehicle Storage, 2700 Junction, Detroit. (½ mile south of Michigan Ave., part of the Clark Street Cadillac building complex) 842-6449, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily.

Norm Anchor (wearing cap) and Greg Bawol can pack up your favorite car.