

## HOPE AT THE POINT FUNDRAISER



**SHARING WITH OTHERS:** From left, are David Lowman, Beth Morang, an owner with The Family RV Center, and Jack Grossman, fundraising chairman for Dove House Children's Advocacy Center, standing in front of the Chaparral 180 SSI.

# Boat winners donate prize to Dove House Children's Center

At the 4th Annual Hope at the Point Foundation fundraising benefit last October, raffle tickets were sold to benefit the non-profit organization in its continued mission to support various local charities with monetary contributions. The Grand Prize was a Chaparral 180 SSI donated by the manufacturer, Chaparral, and The Boat Rack, a local dealer in the Lake Norman area.

The drawing was just recently held, since all 250 tickets needed to be sold at a \$100 donation each in order for the raffle to take place. The winner was The Family RV Center of Statesville, a local dealer of motor coaches and campers.

"We were ecstatic", stated Chuck Schwartz, one of the family members that own

the dealership. "We couldn't believe it"! So what did Schwartz and The Family RV Center do? The family-owned RV dealership decided to donate the boat to one of its favorite local non-profit organizations, Dove House Children's Advocacy Center.

"We heard about Dove House a couple of years ago, and have been involved as corporate donors ever since. They are an unbelievable group that works with one of the most difficult situations anyone could imagine - child sexual abuse," said Schwartz. "It didn't take us long to decide what we were going to do with boat." John Gaydac, corporate sponsorship chairman for Hope at the Point Foundation, was excited to hear that the boat will once again benefit a

local charity. "It isn't too often a situation like this occurs," said Gaydac.

"We support the Hope at the Point Foundation and the charities that they contribute to," stated David Lowman, owner of The Boat Rack. "We contacted Jim Lane, president of Chaparral, and he came on board with us 50/50 to donate the boat to the raffle," said Lowman. The boat included a Road King Trailer provided by The Boat Rack.

Hope at the Point Foundation will hold its 5th annual event on Oct. 6 with a Halloween Ball, and Oct. 8 with its Scramble for Hope Golf event. Meanwhile, the Dove House will feature the boat in its live auction to be held at the 7th Annual "An Evening for Dove House" event April 26, 2008.

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