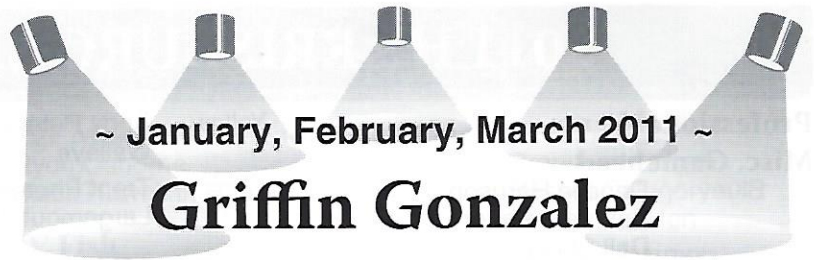
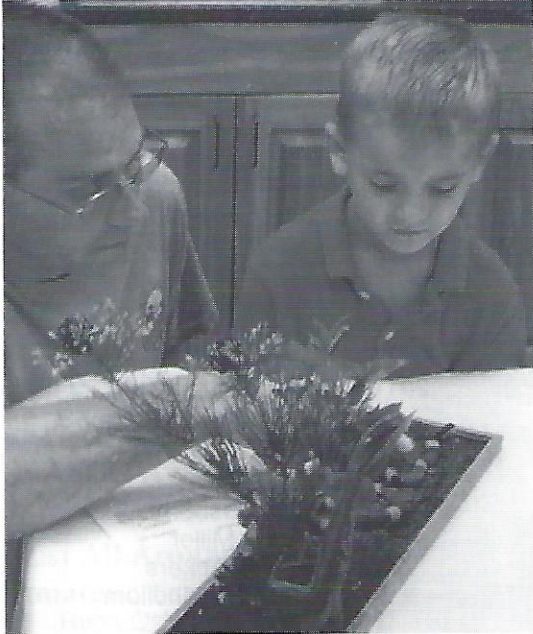


Member *Spotlight*



~ January, February, March 2011 ~

Griffin Gonzalez



My name is Griffin Gonzalez. I am 5 years old (will turn 6 in January) and live in Lebanon Pa with my dad, Fred Gonzalez, my mom Susie and my sister Mackenzie. I like to hang out in my dad's shop and have my own little corner in the shop where I have my own stuff to mount. I just finished mounting my first deer. I hope to mount another deer with the help of my dad for maybe even a competition. I competed for the first time in April at the West Virginia Show. I competed with a reproduction milk snake that I painted and did the habitat all myself. I received a trophy and a ribbon at the competition. I then took that same snake to the Cabela's mini show in September and received a red ribbon for my snake.

I really like to compete and hope to compete more as I get older and learn more. Besides doing taxidermy I like to go fishing and hunting with my dad. I went in a tree stand with my dad hunting during deer season this year for the first time and really enjoyed that. We even saw some deer. I also like to baseball, fishing, riding bike and building things.

Member *Spotlight*



~ April, May, June 2011 ~

Mike Olszanowski



My name is Mike Olszanowski. I live in Douglassville Pa. I am a full time taxidermist but I also spend a few hours a week at a second job restoring classic muscle cars. I enjoy hunting, especially archery season. My father is a full time farmer so growing up on a farm gave me a lot of opportunities to hunt and luckily harvest some good bucks. Some of my best memories are of my trips bow hunting out of state. In Utah I harvested a great mountain lion, in Maine I took a black bear and Colorado I took a nice elk. I can't wait to get out on another hunt one of these days.

I am married to Jen and we have a son named Colton who is 7. My wife has always hung around the shop with me and jokingly said to me one day "I have seen you mount so many deer heads, I could do one just as good as you". So I told her to go for it. She entered her first deer shoulder mount in the competition at the Cabela's Mini show back in September. Now she knows it is not as easy as it seems. Hopefully our son will also like to compete and will put something together for next years state show.