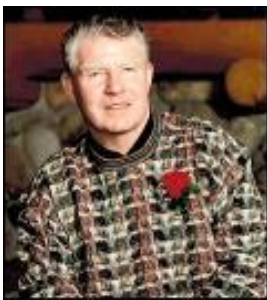




Our Alumni in the News

Sad News



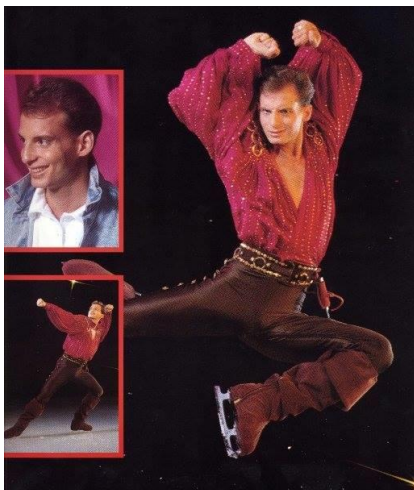
Michael Kenneth Cannon (75) born December 25th 1940 of Salt Lake City, Utah, died May 9th 2016 after a battle with cancer. He had been in Ice Capades approximately 1962.

"Mick" passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family in his home in Spokane, WA. He is survived by his wife Gail, two sons Kurt, his wife Sunni, Shawn, his wife Barb, four grandchildren Kassie, Brooke, Kaycie, and Kade. Mick spent most of his career working at Travis Pattern and Foundry. Mick had a love of all sports. He was an avid outdoorsman and woodcarver. Mick loved going to Northpark Racquet Club and the family lake cabin on Priest Lake, Idaho. He will be missed greatly by his family and friends. The open house Memorial will be 5-7:30pm on Friday, May 20th at Cannons Edge, 7607 E. Greenbluff, Colbert, WA 99005. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Inland Northwest Honor Flight.

[Willy Bietak Productions, Inc.](#)

May 27, 2016

It is with a very heavy heart that we share with you that a long time friend and member of the Willy Bietak family - Angelo D'Agostino has passed away at his home in Palm Springs, CA.



His history with Willy Bietak Productions goes back to the mid-80s when he performed in shows that Willy Bietak produced for Ice Capades and Sarah Kawahara directed and choreographed. He went on touring for approximately 10 years and then moved to San Francisco and started his teaching career. He first started working for Bietak Productions again at our outdoor ice rink at Union Square in San Francisco which then lead to Angelo coming back to the world of ice shows. He just knew that his true passion was being involved in shows and it was evident when you got to experience his enthusiasm. It was something that was part of who he was. He installed 37 ice casts for our shows on board Royal Caribbean ships throughout the world. He always felt a deep responsibility to the product and to all the performers that he worked with.

We are all feeling a tremendous loss...he was a terrific colleague, but more importantly he was a good friend to all of us at Willy Bietak Productions. If you had the chance to work with Angelo, please take his words with you to inspire yourself and those around you. He remains with us all.... [Click here to see a sample of his amazing work from Ice Capades 1992.](#)

Inspiration



Congratulations to Angelique Gandy Conte for passing her pre gold starlight waltz with Russ Witherby. You're almost there. Keep up the good work.

So what do Ice Capades Gypsies do in their spare time?

ICE CAPADES AKU TOPS LIST

Photo courtesy of The Charter Desk at Honokohau Harbor.



When Ice Capades performers come through Kona, they vie for honors in a continuing fishing tournament (“The Ice Capades Challenge”) hosted by Jennifer and McGrew Rice on the Ihu Nui II. Jennifer is a former skating star so it’s a chance for her to resume old friendships. On Saturday, it was a chance for one-time skater **Rannie Renner Beaver** of Las Vegas, Nevada to catch a 28-pound skipjack tuna and take over the otadu lead on our Big-Fish List.

Rannie was actually looking for bigger fish. She had hopes of beating her cousin Ernie France, who caught a 1,008-pound blue in January, 2013 while fishing on the Holo Holo with Capt. Doug Pattengill. Ernie’s fish was the first grander any where in the world three years ago.

“That was a tall order to beat,” Jennifer said. “But Rannie is super happy with the otado record and feels it comes close anyway.”

Otadu fishing tip: You can’t beat a small flashabou bullet lure on the stinger like the one this 28-pounder hit.

What's David Kirby Doing These Days?

Get to Know the Galleria: David Kirby, Ice Skating Center

May 24, 2016



You already know that Galleria Dallas is the place for hot fashion. But did you know it's also the place for ice-cold fun? This month's "Get to Know the Galleria" is spotlighting Galleria Ice Skating Center's David Kirby.

What do you love most about your location inside Galleria Dallas?

Being at the center of it all. So many great restaurants and stores surround us, and we can be seen by people on all four levels of the mall. In a way, we are kinetic art. It's fun for shoppers to watch a class of really talented skaters work on a drill team or spinning and jumping. It's just as fun to watch people skating

recreationally, and, of course, it's fun to watch both professional and non-professional skaters fall down on occasion.

What's a typical day like at the Galleria Dallas ice rink?

Guests of all ages and abilities skate in our Skating School, attend public sessions, events and parties and visit our retail Skate Shop. Our dedicated team of associates spends many nights maintaining ice conditions and producing special ice paintings.

What sparked your initial interest in ice skating?

Both my parents were Canadian National Champions, so I was naturally drawn to the sport. I had a wonderful career as a competitive athlete for the United States and was a principal performer with the Ice Capades in the 1970s.

[Click here](#) to read the rest of the article.

Time for a Giggle

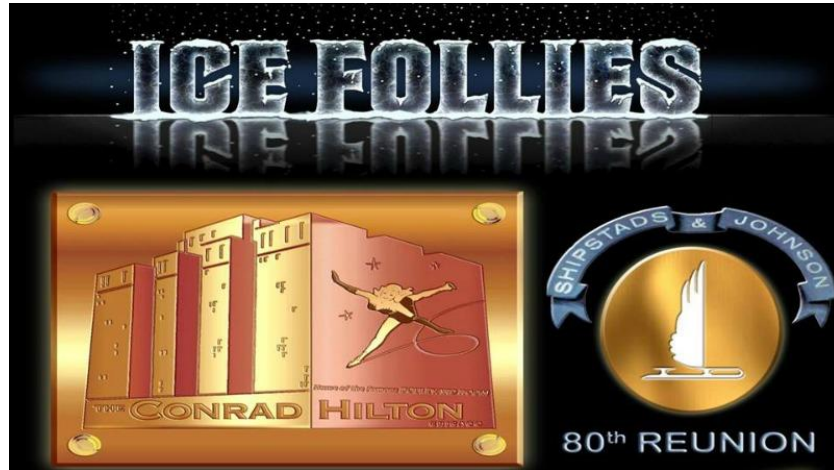


Brad Doud Comedy Act

Return To Romance- Ice Capades
Brad was great but the "girls" made him
fabulous!!!

[Click Here](#) for a trip down memory lane.

Upcoming Events



Chicago – Sept. 29 – Oct. 2, 2016

[See attached for Reunion Information](#)

World Figure Championship & Figure Festival

Welcoming the World to join us on the ice in **TORONTO!**

Mark your calendar!



[Click here](#) for details

Website Update

The reunion website – www.icecapadesreunion2015.com is still there. Even though the reunion is over, the plan is to continue to use this site for alumni updates so please keep checking back from time to time as news will be added periodically. Don't forget, there are also show rosters for your reference, updated obits and upcoming events.