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ANGELA RUGGIERO



3-TIME ICE HOCKEY OLYMPIC MEDALIST HARVARD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE

PERSONAL DATA

Birthdate 1/3/80
Hometown Harper Woods, MI
& Panorama City, CA
Resides New York, NY
Height 5'9"

BACKGROUND

- With three Olympic medals, Angela is an ice hockey defenseman currently training for the 2007 World Championships with Team USA. She has her sights set on the 2010 Olympic Games in Vancouver.
- As the first female defenseman in the Central Hockey League, Angela was the first woman non-goalie to play professional Men's Hockey in North America, playing with the Tulsa Oilers alongside her brother, Bill.
- Angela and Bill earned a place in the Hockey Hall of Fame as the first brother-sister duo to play pro hockey together.
- Angela graduated Cum Laude from Harvard University with a B.A. in Government.
- Angela has created and runs several non-profit organizations with the goal of exposing the world to her sport, "
- When she's not training, competing or working on her numerous non-profit projects, Angela enjoys traveling, music, golf, coaching hockey and volunteering.
- Her official website is www.angelaruggiero.com.

CORPORATE SPONSORS

- Individual: Nike, GE, Hilton, Athlete Construction, Johnson & Johnson,
- Team: Quest Communications, Nike, Easton, Budweiser, Play It Again Sports

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Member of the 2006 U.S. Olympic Bronze Medal Team
- Member of the 2002 U.S. Olympic Silver Medal Team
- Member of the 1998 U.S. Olympic Gold Medal Team
- At the 2005 World Championships, helped the U.S. capture the gold by scoring the tournament-winning goal
- Member of 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2004 and 2006 World Championship Silver Medal Teams
- World Championship Gold Medalist, 2005
- 4 Nations Tournament Gold Medal Champions- 2001, 2003
- Harvard 1999 National Championship Winning Team
- Harvard 2003 and 2004 NCAA Runner-Up
- Harvard ECAC Winning Team 1999, 2004
- Harvard Beanpot Champions, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2004
- Harvard Ivy League Champions 1999, 2003
- NWHL Runner-up in 2005 with the Montreal Axion
- Polar Bears Youth Hockey Girls'/ Women National Champions 1995, 1996, 1997
- Pasadena Maple Leafs Mite B State Champions, 1989 and Peewee B Champions, 1992

MEDIA EXPOSURE

- Contestant on NBC's Season Six of *The Apprentice*, Spring 2007
- Author of "*Breaking the Ice: My Journey to Olympic Hockey, the Ivy League and Beyond*," published by Drummond Publishing
- One of eight U.S. Olympic Athletes honored to carry the World Trade Center Flag during the Opening Ceremonies of the 2002 Olympic Games
- Featured in numerous national magazines, local and national newspapers, and on websites including: *Newsweek*, *ESPN the Magazine*, *Sports Illustrated*, *US Weekly*, *Real Simple*, *SI for Kids*, *Seventeen*, *USA Hockey Magazine*, *People*, *Glamour*, *Figure*, *Trump the Magazine*, *TV Guide*, *OT Magazine*, *Detroit Free Press*, *Detroit News*, *LA Times*, *Michigan Hockey Magazine*, *Hartford Current*, *New Haven*, *Providence Journal*, *USCHO.com*, *Simi Valley*, *Ventura*

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Star, Harvard Magazine, USA Today, Newyorkislanders.com, usahockey.com

- Featured on local and national TV networks/programs including: CBS , NBC Nightly News, Today Show (at least 6 times), Early Show, Letterman (Top Ten) Apprentice LA (Contestant), Fox- Investigative Reporters, Cold Pizza, CSTV, Lifetime, Nickelodeon, TSN
- Featured in books including: *"Girls, Ordinary Girls and Their Extraordinary Pursuits"* by Jenny, Laura, and Martha McPhee, *"Level Six Performance: A Gold Medal Formula for Achieving Professional & Personal Success"* by Stephen Long.
- Contributor and feature-writer for momstream.com

AWARDS/INDIVIDUAL

- 2006 *James E. Sullivan Award* Nominee - Amateur Athletic Union
- 2006, 2002 Top Defenseman Award at Winter Olympics
- 2005 Top Defenseman Award at the ESSO Canadian Provincials
- 2001, 2004 and 2005 Voted Top Defenseman in World Championships
- 2004 Ranked one of Top 16 Female Athletes in the World by ESPN.com
- 2004 USA Women's Player of the Year
- 2004 NCAA First Team Academic All-American
- 2004 Top eight student athletes in the entire NCAA
- 2004 Awarded the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Trophy, awarded annually to the best college hockey player (Top Three Finalist in 2003, nominated into top 10 all 4 years)
- 2004 NCAA National Strength and Conditioning Association Athlete of the Year
- 4-Time NCAA All-American, All-ECAC, Patty Kazmaier Award Nominee
- 2004 ECAC & IVY League Player of the Year
- 2004 Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award Winner
- 2004 Nominated as one of the top 7 "Team Sportswoman of the Year" by Women's Sports Foundation
- 2004 Harvard Crimson Female Athlete of the Year
- 2004 IVY League Player of the Year
- 2004 New England Sports Writer's Player of the Year
- 2004 NCAA First Team Academic All-American
- 2004 Beanpot MVP
- 2003-4 ECAC All-Academic Team
- 2003-4 NCAA "Top VIII" award, as one of the top 8 student athletes in the NCAA
- 2003-4 USA Hockey Chevy Women's Player of the Year
- 2004, 2003, 2001 Harvard MVP
- 2003 USOC Hockey Player of the Year
- 2003 Voted Best Female Hockey Player in the World by *The Hockey News*
- John Wooden Award Nominee
- 2003 Ranked Top Defenseman in the World (Globe and Mail)

- 2002 Awarded Directorate Award as the Top Defenseman at the Winter Olympics, Salt Lake City
- NCAA Top-VIII Award

AWARDS/TEAM

- 2004 World Championship All-World Team ECAC
- 1998 Bob Johnson Team of the Year
- 1998 USOC Women's Team of the Year
- 1998 Women's Sports Foundation Team of the Year

OTHER

- Director of the New York Islanders' Project Hope, an organization providing young Chinese athletes with access to educational opportunities, as well as the NY Islanders Children's Foundation
- Founder and President of an All-American Girls Hockey School.
- Director of the non-profit Teams of Angels Inc, focusing on creating a safer youth sports experience.
- Athlete Ambassador for Right to Play since 2000; spent summer 2004 volunteering in Uganda, Africa with Right to Play (fundraised entire trip for three people to volunteer)
- Participated in Boston to NY AIDS Ride
- Active member of Women's Leadership Project
- Speaks regularly to schools and children's organizations about her experiences in sport and life lessons learned throughout.