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I grew up in an Opti Family: I sized out when I turned 13, but my two brothers were both really good, my parents were developers of the Orange Bowl Regatta and my father was president of USODA in the early 90's. I was really bad at baseball and loved team racing so I stuck with sailing. I was a moderately successful high school and youth sailor, and was an All-American at Tufts. I also spent all my youth and H.S. summers coaching sailing. I continue to race (as an amateur), primarily in the Etchells. I am currently on the USODA board (and Vice President of USODA) and a Trustee of the New York Yacht Club, and previously served on committees at NYYC, Larchmont YC and US Sailing (past chair of the team racing committee), and as a governor of the International Etchells Class, and was co-chair of the 2020 Opti ACC's. I practice corporate law in NYC and live in Larchmont, NY. Christina and I have three children: a 9-y.o opti sailor who is very excited about her bright pink opti sail (and who named her boat "Better Than My Brothers"), and two former Opti sailors (one who sized out during COVID after qualifying for Holland in 2020, and one who was formerly on US teams for Holland, UK Nationals, Garda, and NA's).

I am focused on the "bottom of the pyramid" (I believe if the sport grows and lower-performers are engaged, the top does just fine), continued geographic development (additional events in New England and the MidWest in particular) and safety.