CEDRIC OBA



Rating: 2391 Home: Newark, NJ

Birthplace: Abidjan, Cöte d'Ivoire Birthdate: Dec. 11, 1992

• Former table tennis champion of Cöte

d'Ivoire.

ELIEL SOSIS



Rating: 2366 Home: Sharon, MA Birthplace: Manchester, CT Birthdate: Jan. 24, 2002

• Junior at Maimonides High School in

Boston.

CHEN WANG



Rating: 2440 Home: New York, NY Birthplace: Shanghai, China Birthdate: Jan. 14, 1971

• Quarterfinalist at the 2008 Olympics.

1994-98 world-ranked #4.

KADEN XU



Rating: 2722 Home: Dunnellen, NJ Birthplace: Zhejiang, China Birthdate: Jan. 5, 1999

• Five-time winner of the Westchester Open. Full-time coach at the Lily Yip TTC.

NUO XU



Rating: 2517 Home: New York, NY Birthplace: Jinan, China Birthdate: Mar. 9, 1997

• Under 21 champion at the 2017 U.S.

Open.

KAI ZHANG



Rating: 2654

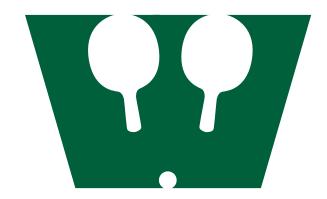
Home: Pleasantville, NY Birthplace: Beijing, China Birthdate: June 22, 1997

• 21-time winner of the Westchester Open. Second-year student at Binghamton Univ.

Some players to watch at the 86th

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#1 Seed — ROBERT GARDOS



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Fact Sheet

Nickname: Robi

Nationality: Austrian

• Home club: SPO Rouen, France

• Born Jan. 16, 1979, in Budapest, Hungary

• Started playing table tennis at a Budapest club where his father was a coach

Moved to Austria in 1993

• Singles and mixed doubles gold medalist at the 1993 European Youth Championships

 \bullet Doubles gold medalist at the 2012 and 2018 European Championships

• Three-time Olympian, 2008, 2012, and 2016

• World Tour player, 2012-present

• Current ITTF world ranking: 52

• Highest ranking: 18 (March 2015)

• First time playing at a U.S. tournament

• Style: Offensive, backhand orientation

• Blade: Timo Boll ALC

• Rubber: Butterfly Tenergy 05 forehand and backhand

• Speaks German, Hungarian, Spanish, and English

GAL ALGUETTI



Rating: 2555 Home: Tenafly, NJ Birthplace: San Diego, CA Birthdate: May 14, 2001

• Member of the U.S. men's table tennis team. Twin brother of Sharon.

SHARON ALGUETTI



Rating: 2601 Home: Tenafly, NJ Birthplace: San Diego, CA Birthdate: May 14, 2001

• Member of the U.S. men's table tennis team. Four-time winner at Westchester.

ALEX AVERIN



Rating: 2319 Home: Newark, NJ Birthplace: New Bern, NC Birthdate: May 26, 1998

• College student and table tennis coach. Frequent winner of the U2350 event.

BOWEN CHEN



Rating: 2536 Home: Fairfax, VA

Birthplace: Loudi, Hunan, China Birthdate: June 27, 1998

• Full-time coach at the Maryland Table

Tennis Center.

KOKOU FANNY



Rating: 2386 Home: Pleasantville, NY Birthplace: Lomé, Togo Birthdate: April 15, 1987

• Will represent Togo at the 2019 World Championships. Current ITTF ranking: 282

JIANG NIU



Rating: 2509 Home: New York, NY

Birthplace: Yuncheng, Shanxi, China

Birthdate: Jan. 29, 1993

• Plays in the Chinese First League — team placed ninth in the 2018-19 season.