

This #ThankfulThursday we meet Tuan Tran, Assistant Tennis Pro here in Sienna!

Tuan has been working here in Sienna for only about 10 weeks, but he says he's "ready to be a lifer." He is a native of Ft Walton Beach, Florida and a graduate of The University of Houston. We were interested to hear that among Tuan's favorite past times are combative sports, specifically boxing and mixed martial arts!

We asked Tuan who his hero is and he got very nostalgic. "My parents came to this country with just the clothes on their backs (mom was 6 months pregnant) and did not speak the language yet they raised my brother and I and gave us every opportunity to succeed. Without a doubt it's my mom and dad."

What is his favorite "spot" in Sienna? "The exit off the Fort Bend Tollway for Sienna. Once I've reached that location I know it's going to be a good day." You know...we've never really looked at it that way...but you're absolutely right, Tuan!

We wanted to know what has been most rewarding in your role with the Association, and he shared, "Helping people learn about tennis or improving their game is super gratifying for me. The game has taught me a menagerie of things that include discipline, honor, responsibility, accountability, and resiliency. These are all things I've incorporated into my life and career working with athletes. If I could pass a fraction of that on to anyone that steps on the court with me I would be beyond happy."

Tuan was so gracious in adding, "Special thanks to Coach Jan and Coach Lito for not only bringing me on the team but welcoming with open arms. Everyone in the community has been so nice and I'm extremely grateful."

We're so thankful you're here, Tuan. We look forward to you helping continue to grow the love of tennis here in Sienna for many years to come!

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