From the community: Glenview Tennis Club has new General Manager

Mark Baladad joins the Glenview Park District as the new General Manager of the Glenview Tennis Club. (Posted by Pioneer Press Editorial, Community Contributor)

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Mark Baladad is joining the Glenview Park District as the new General Manager of the Glenview Tennis Club. With a background in both business and tennis, it's the perfect fit.

"I am excited to be the new General Manager of the Glenview Tennis Club and a member of the Glenview Park District family," said Baladad.

Baladad's love for the sport carried with him into college. He attended Ripon College where he played on the men's tennis team all four years while earning his bachelor's degree in business management. But, tennis didn't stop after graduation. Baladad transformed his expertise with the sport into a different role - teaching tennis lessons at country clubs including North Shore Country Club, The Birchwood Club and Sunset Ridge, as well as at a few private clubs like North Shore Racquet Club, Midtown-Bannockburn and East Bank Club in Chicago. Baladad also coached the boy's tennis team at

Deerfield High School. Baladad comes to Glenview from his most recent position at River Trails Tennis Center in Arlington Heights where he was the Assistant Manager.

"In the short time that I have been here, I have met so many passionate and dedicated people. I consider myself fortunate to be part of this team. Growing up, park district tennis was my passion. It gave me a great foundation for the sport of a lifetime and many memorable moments," said Baladad.

Baladad grew up in Deerfield where he played tennis on the Deerfield Shoreline team. He also lived for a few years in Glenview. Baladad presently resides in Portage Park, Chicago with his wife. When he's not overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Glenview Tennis Club, Baladad enjoys working out, playing sports and working on the new house.

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