

MANASSAS, VIRGINIA Located on a little side street in the historic district of Manassas, the staff at the ISSA World Headquarters assists players, administrators and league/federation personnel from around the world each day with matters concerning all aspects of adult slowpitch softball. The ISSA Executive Director, RB Thomas, Jr wears several hats in the sport. He has been then ASA Central Virginia Deputy Commissioner for Masters and Seniors since 1996 and in 2002 was appointed Director of Senior Softball for the International Softball Federation and now serves as the ASA Northern Virginia District Commissioner as well.. Also on the ASA/ISSA staff are Thomas' sons, Greg and Brad who handle major responsibilities for the ISSA and ISF events and in addition also manage the ASA adult slowpitch tournament program in Northern Virginia and the Manassas men's league.

Based on feedback from local senior teams, the staff has agreed to add senior divisions to the local open tournament schedule at Manassas this year. The next four tournaments for young open teams on June 7, July 5, August 2 and August 23 will also include divisions for the Masters and Seniors teams. The first local senior tournament will be a one-day event with a three game guarantee for a fee of \$150. These senior tournaments are offered to provide the regional teams with a fun experience and competitive tournament practice. Games will be officiated by experienced umpires and the top three teams and MVP will receive nice awards.

On the National/World Tournament level, the 7th ISF Senior World Cup, 14th ISSA World Championships and ISSA Winter Nationals will be held in Virginia this year and senior teams from across the United States and around the World will be participating. The ISF Senior World Cup will be held on June 20-22 in the Roanoke Valley in southwestern Virginia. The City of Salem and the surrounding jurisdictions have combined forces to host this premier senior softball event. The City of Champions has long been a favorite destination for softball players of all ages and now seniors will get to experience this venue for the first time.

On August 15-17 the ISSA World Championships will return to Manassas and Prince William County for the fourteenth time. The event this year will mark the twentieth world-class senior softball event held there which has earned the title of SENIOR SOFTBALL CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

The ISSA Winter Nationals will be held on October 3-5 at the City of Virginia Beach. With some outstanding new softball facilities and a world-class beach resort community, this event will undoubtedly become a favorite for masters and senior players and their wives. Log on today to the ISSA website to stay on top of senior softball and see all we have to offer for 2008! Entry forms and information can be found on the ISSA website at [www.seniorsoftball.org](http://www.seniorsoftball.org) or email the ISSA Office at [issa94@aol.com](mailto:issa94@aol.com) if you have any questions? Remember VIRGINIA IS FOR LOVERS, softball lovers.