

Raschka, Durr appointed Deputy UICs



Bryan Raschka



Carl Durr

Ken Mathia, then USA Softball of Idaho District 8 (Spokane) Umpire in Chief, made this announcement in his report to the Spokane Softball Umpires Board of Directors Oct. 25:

As Spokane UIC, and in conjunction with Commissioner Jamie Stewart, I am pleased to announce the addition of Bryan Raschka and Carl Durr to the UIC Staff beginning immediately.

Raschka, newly elected SSUA Vice President and SSUA Training Committee Chair, will hold similar responsibility for USA Softball District 8 in Spokane and will oversee all aspects of USA Softball fast pitch training. Although the SSUA Bylaws mandate such responsibility for the Vice President, I have asked Bryan to take the lead in SSUA's winter training program. He, along with his appointed training committee, will do a fantastic job for SSUA umpires in the 2018 season. We will be assisting Bryan wherever he needs us in the winter training program.

I have asked Carl, an outgoing SSUA At-Large Board Member, to continue his fantastic work with the umpire program for Spokane Valley Girls. Carl has single-handedly recruited, trained and mentored dozens of new umpires for the Valley Girls program, thus helping bolster SSUA's umpiring numbers. I have also asked him to continue to attend SSUA board meetings to keep the board updated on the umpire program. I request that Carl continue to work with the assigners during Valley Girls summer leagues.

It is my hope that Bryan and Carl will work together as much as needed to bring all of our new fast pitch umpires to the Valley Girls umpire program in the summer.

(It was edited. Although Mathia has since resigned as UIC, the status of Raschka and Durr will be unchanged.)