



Meet your CPA Officers and Board 5 Questions for Committee Chairman Anna Slepecky

1) Did you grow up listening to Polka music or did you get interested later in life? Was coming to a CPA dance your first experience with polka dances /festivals?

I am relatively new to Polka music. I was introduced to it when my husband Wayne suggested we attend the USPA convention about 10 years ago. The music was much different from what I had expected and it was so fun. I loved it right away. The rest is history.

2) How long have you been a CPA officer and what is your favorite part of being the Membership chair? How did you decide that being a CPA officer was something you wanted to do?

I think I've been the Membership Chairman for about three years. My favorite part is getting to know our wonderful members and interact with them. We are truly a Polka Family. I'd say I 'decided' to be involved with the Board when Paul Namitka asked me to. It has been a pleasure and I am grateful to him.

3) I know you are a runner. Tell me more about running a race. How did you get interested, what is the longest you have ever run?

I've been a runner since college and try to run most days of the week. The races I compete in range from 5K's (3.1 miles) to half marathons (13.1 miles.) To me, running is therapy and maybe a bit of an addiction. I like to believe it keeps me healthy mentally and physically.

4) What is your favorite Polka dance/festival venue? CPA or any other.

Oh dear, this is a tough one. I've rewritten my answer about six times already. So, if for some reason I could only go to one polka event next year I would choose Frankenmuth. I love the setting and the time of year it is held. And, there are so many CPA members there that is like a big family party. I also love running thorough the town early in the morning, its so beautiful.

5) You and Wayne have done significant travel on a motorcycle. What's it like on the back of a motorcycle going seventy miles an hour and you have no control?

Seventy miles an hour? You are being conservative! Some of the long, straight, empty roads out West are perfect for just letting the bike race. To me it's joyful, like we are flying. I loved everything about our motorcycle trips.