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- Joy has raised llamas since 1991 and currently has a small herd of over 30 llamas and alpacas. To support her camelid habit, she is a practicing veterinarian in Northwest Ohio. She graduated from “THE OSU” in 1982 with a BS in Animal Science and a DVM degree.
- Joy had the “joy” of raising 2 sons, with the help of the llama community, thru the 4H and ALSA youth programs. She was a 4H leader for 9 years and has been the superintendent for the local fair llama and alpaca show for over 20 years.
- Joy is a “Fiber enthusiast “and an avid spinner for over 20 years. Also she is a member of ORLVA (previous Board member for several years), MLA, ALSA, ILR-SD, and the LMRG (Lama Medical Research Group).
- She has expanded her lama horizon by not only judging the luscious fiber, but also the conformation and performance of the magnificent animals. She enjoys encouraging the camelid future-the YOUTH-to appreciate and promote these wonderful llamas. Her judging has taken her from local fairs, to across the country, and to across “the pond”.