

Tom Petersen Bio



I am a native Californian and a resident of Northern California since 1980. My professional work experience is in healthcare, specifically Hospital Administration; I retired from that career in 2002.

As a Hospital Administrator I was responsible for strategy, market/business development and operations, of both large and medium sized hospitals. I have directed operating budgets of \$250 million, with operating revenues of \$285 million. I have served on many public and private Boards of Directors so I am familiar with the obligations of being a Board Member.

My wife Susan is a retired Pediatric Nurse Practitioner whose clinical abilities have served our growing alpaca herd well. Starting our alpaca adventure with 3 pregnant dams and one maiden in November of 2004, our herd has grown to a total of 25, with “4 on the way”. Our ranch, Alpacas All Around, is located in the pastoral setting of Loomis Ca.

One of my goals as a Board Member will be to re-engage on the issue of Sales and Use Tax and to achieve tax parity with other fiber/fleece producing livestock. I see the future of the alpaca industry as bright and look forward to the opportunity of participating in the Calpaca Board of Directors.