

I nside Notes: This animated reading was completely produced by real people, not a company who hired individuals to be voices. At first, John was sceptical when I approached him with the idea of doing the whole thing ourselves, but as it began to come together, I saw his mounting excitement because he was given an opportunity to excel in creativity... and I believe he has.

The people are real and the frogs could very well be real, as well. The instrumentation is all played by John on his guitars and keyboard. I am amazed at how it has come together. And, when John played the final CD, I cried because a dream had come to life. Now, because we were willing to take a chance and invest ourselves into one child's dream, you can share in the swamp with Soaker, Joker and Warty.

This play was written apart from the book by the same title. The words to the book are what the narrator says. The rest of the action is added. There is a teacher's package where the class learns to share while they act out the parts becoming little frog actors. It may be ordered from our web site gloryboundkids.com.

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The Book comes to Life

Children's story narrated by Sheri Hauser
with music by John Jones

Meet The Cast of

Sharing Ole Lumpy Comes to Life

Soaker is Joy, Sheri's daughter. She has been studying acting since she was five. Today she is studying for a degree in Journalism in college in Las Vegas.

Joker is John Jones. I must say that he makes a nice frog. He also does the voice of the 'mean ole owl'. The first time we did the reading, he chose the owl.

Beavers (1 and 2) are both the voice of Ron Brown, a close friend of Sheri and awesome painter with a dream to share the love of God in film. He adds a nice southern twang to the reading.

Little Girl is the voice of Nora. You will see much more of Nora because she owns a ranch in the desert. She has amazing relationships with her animals interacting with their personalities giving each a specific 'voice'. I asked her to become part of the reading when I visited her ranch, slept on the third deck of her porch under the stars. In the morning I heard her talk to her dogs and knew that was the voice

that we needed to pull this whole thing off. Nora and I are putting together a set of children's books called Alpaca Personalities where each book will come with some Alpaca wool.

Warty is the voice of my little brother, Steve Moroney. I was very happy to have a 'real' little brother do the reading. He works as a sales representative for a big company, and passes through Las Vegas often. I was happy to snatch him between meetings. I remember growing up that many times, he acted the same way that the frog in the script does, so I am happy to honor him with the part (because we all know that Warty is the star frog.)

Mom frog and Narrator is the voice of Sheri Hauser, the author. I tried to get my husband, Paul to do the reading because he has a nice voice, but, what I realized was that the story didn't need a 'nice reader'. What it needed was someone to 'tell' the story. I have shared 'Ole Lumpy' several times to cheer up my patients and visitors in the hospital where I work as an ICU nurse. Sometimes when they are sad I tell stories or sing to them. It is amazing how everyone loves children's stories, no matter how old they are. What I have come to realize is that we are all children, only some try harder to act grown up. I gave up. Wanna join me?