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Brief Author Biographies

JULIE C. MORSE is a graduate of Northwestern University, and has worked for the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times, and Pioneer Press over the course of her career. In addition to being a writer, she is a top-ranked realtor in the Chicago area. She lives in Lake Bluff, Illinois and loves spending time with her blended family.

GREG MIKRUT is the inspiration for ***When Billy Went Bald***, having had cancer as a child. He is Julie's son, and has contributed to the story in ways only a childhood cancer survivor could. Greg was a high school newspaper writer and editor before attending Vanderbilt University to focus on marketing and economics. After graduation, he decided to pursue a career in commercial real estate, a field in which he continues to work today. He lives with his wife, Stacy, in Chicago.

ALEXANDRA HIGGINS was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, and knew she wanted to be a professional artist from the time she was five years old. In 2008, she earned a BFA from the University of Dayton. She is working toward receiving a MA in teaching from the University of Indianapolis in 2012. Her illustrations have appeared in magazines including *Children's Digest*, *Turtle*, *Indiana Business*, *Humpty Dumpty*, and *Jack and Jill*. Alexandra is currently an art teacher living in Zionsville, Indiana, with her black Labrador, Kobe.