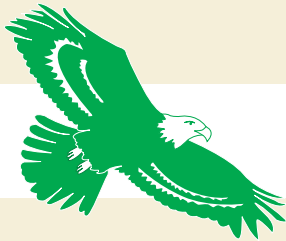


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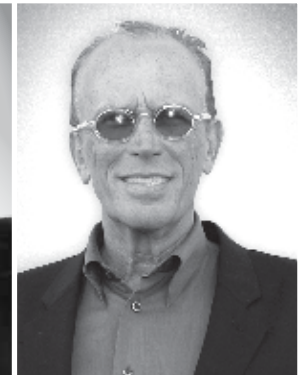
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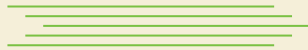
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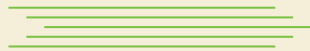
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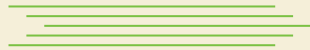
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PHYLLIS GEORGE was born and raised in Denton, Texas, and has had an eclectic career. An alumna of the University of North Texas, she won Miss Texas and was crowned the 50th Miss America in 1971. George became a trailblazer in the world of broadcasting as the first female sportscaster on national TV for the popular Emmy award-winning *NFL Today* show with Brent Musburger and Irv Cross. In 1998, George was awarded an honorary doctorate of media arts degree by UNT. George has authored six books and is also an entrepreneur founding two companies, including *Chicken By George*. When she was First Lady of Kentucky, married to Governor John Y. Brown, she restored the historic and beautiful Governor's Mansion that was recognized around the world. She also founded the renowned Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft in Louisville, Kentucky. George was in the hugely successful movie *Meet the Parents*, and she is a National Advocate for the Alzheimer's Association. She is the mother of two children, Lincoln and Pamela.



LARRY McMURTRY is an American novelist, essayist, bookseller and screenwriter whose work is predominantly set in either the old west or contemporary Texas. Born in Wichita Falls, Texas, McMurtry graduated from UNT with honors in 1958. He is most well known for his 1975 novel *Terms of Endearment* (turned into the Academy Award-winning film starring Shirley MacLaine, Jack Nicholson and Debra Winger), his Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *Lonesome Dove* published in 1985, and the 2006 Academy Award for best adapted screenplay for *Brokeback Mountain*. McMurtry also published *The Last Picture Show*, among many other works, later receiving an Academy Award for its screenplay as well.



PETER WELLER has had a diverse five-decade film career including starring roles in *RoboCop* and its sequel, *Woody Allen's Mighty Aphrodite*, and last year's *Star Trek Into Darkness*. Weller also served as host of the History Channel's *Engineering an Empire*, played cameos in Fox's *24* and Showtime's *Dexter*, and is currently an actor and director for the hit FX television series *Sons of Anarchy*. Weller, who graduated from UNT in 1969 with a bachelor of arts in theater, later attended the American Academy of Dramatic Arts, and holds a master's degree in Roman renaissance art history from UCLA.

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GEORGE DUNHAM is a household name in North Texas thanks to his work as part of the "Dunham and Miller" show on Sportsradio 1310 The Ticket. Dunham and Craig Miller have hosted the morning drive show on The Ticket since the fall of 1995. Together, they have been nominated multiple times for the national Major Market Personality of the Year Award from the National Association of Broadcasters. Their relationship goes back to the 1980s as the two were actually college roommates at UNT. Dunham, a 1987 graduate, has spent the last 24 seasons on the Mean Green Radio Network and calls the play-by-play for all UNT football and home basketball games. He began his career at campus station KNTU and went on to the Texas State Network and KRLD. He also served as the public address announcer at Texas Stadium for the Dallas Cowboys from 1999-2009. His son Blake, is a member of the UNT football team.

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MELISSA RYCROFT STRICKLAND starred on ABC's hit series *The Bachelor* and was crowned champion of *Dancing with the Stars: All-Stars*. Rycroft first came to national prominence as a cast member of CMT's *The Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders: Making the Team*, winning a place on the cheerleading squad for the 2006 season. In 2009, she was named one of *People* magazine's "Most Beautiful People" and was selected to *Maxim*'s "Hot 100." In 2013, Rycroft was recognized as one of *D Magazine*'s "10 Most Beautiful in Dallas." She graduated from UNT in 2005 with a degree in marketing and finance.

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