

World of Guitar

Top guitarists from all over the country come to Doylestown to be on Bob Miles's local show, *World of Guitar*

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Leo Buscaglia writes notes of praise, Chubby Checkers listens to his music, Pam Dawber appreciates his inspirational tape "Miles of Inspiration." The object of this attention is Bob Miles, creator of *World of Guitar* as seen on Suburban Cable, owner of The Guitar Academy in Warrington and master musician.

"I began playing a guitar when I was a kid," Bob said, "but I soon recognized that it would be difficult to make a living as a musician." Since Bob's father had a realty business in Hatboro, it was a natural progression for Bob to enter the real estate business after graduating from Temple University, magna cum laude with a degree in Business and a concentration in Real Estate.

His life followed a conventional route—he got married, he was successful in real estate, he put his love of the guitar on hold and there were no major problems on the horizon. Then disaster struck.

"My brother had a heart attack at the age of 43, and lost 40% of his heart. That same week my mother was diagnosed with breast cancer, one month later, the doctors detected bone cancer. In



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On set of World of Guitar, Bob Miles (left) with guitar legend, Bucky Pizzarelli.