

## Rose Parade coverage less than spectacular

I wrote this letter to express my feelings about the very poor coverage by CBS of the Rose Bowl Parade.

With all the commercials it had, it missed 30 units of the parade, including the Pulaski High School Band.

I get a copy of the Rose Bowl program that lists all the entries and also the order in which they'll appear. That's why I know who was missed by the poor coverage. If it can't do any better coverage and those long commercial are necessary, then don't cover it at all.

Also, the personnel that tried to describe the units left something to be desired, as they couldn't even read correctly what was printed in the program.

**Roger Bahr,**  
Little Chute

## One man responsible for Freedom imbroglio

Mr. Wick (Letters, Dec. 29) assumes that the school parents "convinced" their children to get involved in the protest surrounding the unjust firing of their school leader, Phyllis Techlin.

It was never the intent to involve any of the children. There was nothing that could have been done to keep the older students and school alumni away from supporting Mrs. Techlin.

Fr. Schuetze fired our school leader without consulting anyone, for his own selfish reasons. After the firing, students, staff and parents sat in church to hear the diocese explain that Mrs. Techlin was not coming back.

We watched with tears in our eyes as parents quietly got up to go and sit next to their children as they cried in the pews.

Mrs. Techlin did nothing illegal or immoral. Was it really necessary to fire her six weeks into the school year? Did he think of the children at all when he made this irrational decision? Is this correctly doing his appointed duty? Is this being an excellent, dedicated priest?

needed to apologize was Fr. Schuetze — at the very least, to the children of St. Nicholas School.

You were right, Mr. Wick, when you said "nobody on earth is perfect." He chose to do nothing. I'm sorry that Freedom lost a volunteer fireman, but I feel St. Nicholas needed an involved, compassionate priest more.

It was not just a "small group of school parents" who were unhappy with his leadership.

**Tracy Murphy,**  
Freedom

## UW-Fox project needs community support

Our family has benefited greatly from our tenure in the Fox Valley. We are forever indebted to our community. Though we try to give back to it selflessly and quietly, it often seems not enough. So we humbly we ask a favor of the community.

As former students and continuing supporters of the University of Wisconsin-Fox Valley, we understand its vital role — ultimately giving back far more than it takes.

We are not perplexed that it has taken so long to address a glaring deficiency at Fox. In a region abundant with performance venues, a new communication arts center may seem extravagant. It's a necessity.

We place a premium on math and science skills to build a globally competitive work force. Communication skills are equally important. The CAC will allow Fox to be at its best, endowing a coming generation with these critical skills. It will be a full-time learning resource catering not only to the performing arts but to all disciplines where the ability to communicate effectively is key.

The current "facility" was built in 1962. Outdated even in terms of modern safety, its inadequacy is blatant. Fox works mightily to overcome these challenges. But after decades of getting by, it's time we give students the best tools to thrive.

We will continue to

do this alone.

We urge all Winnebago County Board supervisors to fully support funding of the CAC at UW-Fox. We thank Outagamie County for its support.

We urge citizens to learn about the CAC project. The time to invest in the CAC is now.

**Richard**  
**and Amy Jo Aylward,**  
Town of Menasha

## Bush's leadership doesn't have followers

One needs a special kind of faith to be William Kristol, praising Bush's call for a troop surge as courageous leadership.

If Aristotle's virtue ethics taught me anything, there is a stark difference between courage and fool-

probable odds to achieve a moral good. Foolishness is gambling thousands of lives against the advice of informed military advisors, the Baker-Hamilton Commission, the Iraqi people and the majority of Americans. Which does this seem more likely to be?

Furthermore, Bush's role as "leader" seems to be by title only. A Military Times poll found only 35 percent of active-duty soldiers approve of Bush's war handling. The Washington Post polled Americans and found 80 percent oppose Bush's war plans. And the president's approval ratings consistently sit below 40 percent.

I wonder what good is being the leader if no one wants to follow.

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