Several reasons to recall Gov. Walker

There have been many who ask why recall Gov. Walker? Why is it necessary? According to a report recently released by the Institute for Wisconsin's Future, the average state worker is taking home roughly $3,600 less per year thanks to Act 10. That is about $70 less per week spent in local stores and on services. If you add up all the state and local employees, the amount of money lost to local economies is more than $700 million. Another reason to recall Gov. Walker is that the Institute for Wisconsin's Future report also states that Wisconsin has lost 27,600 jobs since June. This is higher than any other state in the nation. The governor’s agenda is harming Wisconsin. The most important reason for recall, however, is that the way Gov. Walker has divided the people of this state. A leader is someone who brings people together. He or she encourages collaboration and compromises from both sides when working toward a goal.

Flicky-Peneski best choice in mayoral recall

The mayoral recall election is only a couple of weeks away and the citizens of Sheboygan have a big decision to make. There has been enough disruption by, and total disgust with Sheboygan’s mayor to vote in new leadership for the next 15 months. We are supporting Robert Flicky-Peneski for that change in leadership, and we urge all voters to do the same. Having known Roberta for over 40 years, both professionally and personally, we find her to have integrity, honesty, dignity, and leadership qualities—all necessary attributes to lead Sheboygan in these difficult times. We cannot wait another 15 months for the regular mayoral election to make a change. Now is the time to make that decision. Roberta will change this embarrassing situation because she will immediately step in and restore stability and dignity to the office of mayor. Please join us in voting for Roberta Flicky-Peneski.

We need a president who will listen, not dictate

This letter is in regard to the interview of President Obama on 60 minutes on Dec. 11. If you didn’t see it, you should be aware of how socialist this president is. He is quoted as saying, “The contrast in visions between where I want to take the country and what... where they say I want to take the country is going to be stark.” Do you really think that we need an “I, me, and mine” president? A president that is not listening to the Congress and the Senate to adapt “his” health-care “reform” before they even had time to adequately study it in its entirety. Today, most states are trying to opt out of this nightmare of ObamaCare. We need a “we, and us,” president. Someone who is willing to listen, not dictate.

Information is there — just read it

A friend of mine hands me what looks like a bunch of junk mail. It says, “Don’t Die Stupid.” As America begins another round of voting to elect a leader of the country, or retain the current one, what we need is a stupid test. Flunk it and you shouldn’t vote. Evidence of the dumbing-down of America is everywhere. Some of it is chronicled in a new book, "Blue Collar In-Intelectuals". Speaking in insider jargon and writing unread books, intellectuals have locked themselves away in a ghetto of their own creation. That has left the nonintellectual class to fund for itself. One library in Portland, Me., rather than leading, is being led by the uneducated teenage mind. “Video gaming is just a new form of literacy,” says the “teen librarian.” If so, what’s the new form of illiteracy, ignorance about how to use a joystick? Flynn quotes from Steven Johnson’s book, “Everything Bad is Good for You: How Today’s Popular Culture Is Actually Making Us Smarter.” Sure, and sugar makes children smarter before they even had time to read the school spent $500,000 on an Orwellian “learning center” complete with three giant flat-screen televisions and a computer machine. School officials guessed that only a few dozen books had been checked out at any one time.

The solution? Get rid of the books. Don’t get rid of books in schools where they’d rather play World of Warcraft,” or if younger, watch cartoons, which can’t be that different from “The Canterbury Tales,” right? Our intellectual depth increases as the school resembles floor wax, shiny on top, but lacking depth. A muscle shrivels if it is not used. Similarly, a mind becomes lazy if it is not used.