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NEW YORK (AP) -- Four Fox network programs, led by the comedies "The War at Home," "The Family Guy" and "American Dad," topped a parents group's annual listing of the worst prime-time shows for family viewing.

The Parents Television Council rated two aspirational reality shows, ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and NBC's new "Three Wishes," as the best programs for family viewing.

The group's president, L. Brent Bozell, said he was alarmed that the three Fox Sunday night comedies are being marketed as family friendly.

"Families should not be deceived," he said. "The top three worst shows all contain crude and raunchy dialogue with sex-themed jokes and foul language. Even worse is the fact that Hollywood is peddling its filth to families with cartoons."

A Fox spokesman said the network never comments on reports by the Parents Television Council.

The Fox drama "The O.C." was fourth on the group's list of worst prime-time shows for families. Add in "That '70s Show" and "Arrested Development," and the network that tries to be hip for young viewers makes up 60 percent of the list.

Television's two most popular programs -- "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and "Desperate Housewives" -- are also cited as bad family viewing. So were "Two and a Half Men" and "Cold Case" on CBS.

The group said it makes its determinations based on the amount of bad language and sexual and violent content, giving more weight to shows that appear earlier in the evening when children are likely to be awake, said Melissa Caldwell, its research director.

Fox's "American Idol," which returns in January, made the group's list of best family viewing experiences. Two new shows, CBS' "The Ghost Whisperer" and UPN's "Everybody Hates Chris," also made it.

Bozell said the group couldn't even come up with 10 prime-time shows it would recommend for family viewing. Its list stops at nine.

**Re: 4 Fox shows named worst for families - posted by dohzman (), on: 2005/10/20 0:12**

Do any of you guys remember what Wilkerson prophesied about American TV way back in the 80's? He said regular TV would become like pornography and indeed it is becoming just like that. I was reading in USA Today an article where some public broadcasting stations air really questionable stuff after the prime-time slot. Evil times!

**Re: - posted by groh\_frog, on: 2005/10/23 13:24**

Four months ago, my first son was born. His name is Jacob Corban. The part that's important is his middle name, Corban. It's Hebrew for "a gift devoted to God".

Well, he's my first son, and hopefully, and Lord willing, he won't be my only child. But he's not the only one I plan on raising to know the Lord.

One of the smartest things I ever did for my family was to get rid of our TV. Now, I don't think they're all evil, or believe anything crazy or superstitious about them. But I looked at my family that I grew up in. Some of my brothers could spend four, five, or more hours daily in front of that TV. Rather than being outside, spending time with friends, participating in sports, they would be watching "their other favorite show".

I haven't started to talk about some of the garbage they show.

Now, I'm a man, and I'm a sinner. I can't argue that. Especially when it comes to lust. We're told that the Eye is the portal to our sin. And for many of us, it's impossible to avoid. I challenge you to watch 15 minutes of almost any channel wi

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thout being shown an image, even a commercial that pushes your heart to lust...

Now, how many of those "worst programs" are cartoons? They're designed to attract younger audiences. And they're advertised as family programs.

Well, as a personal testimony, if I have nothing else to give, I love not having a TV. My wife and I still watch a DVD together once in a while on our computer, but in light of what the TV represents, what it encourages, it's not worth it.

Grace and Peace...