

Shawnee, Kansas
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Dear C-Span:

This is my first attempt to write to an unknown entity so I will try to treat you as what I know you to be, a very trusting and informative friend.

The last two to three years that I have followed your telecasting in this area, have been most informative and educational for both me and my family. I have had numerous hours of Civics in high school and numerous classes in college, but I've learned more in these past few months about national politics and other peoples views than I ever knew before. The mystique of the House chamber proceedings, have been dispelled and I can now see how the business of the Congress is conducted however shoddily. And I'm looking forward to the day that C-Span will be able to televise the Senates' sessions.

The vast variety of your guests, their knowledge, backgrounds and expertise is deeply appreciated, to say nothing of their candid and sincere answers. It seems, to me, that it takes a different kind of person to subject oneself to an endless and diversified stream of unknown questions. Un-rehearsed, off the cuff and with a whole nation on a cable hook-up.

And another unique feature that I think most fair, is your 30 day caller embargo, that does not permit an individual to have a private forum but gives everyone an opportunity voice their opinion. For that a hearty bravo.

To digress - C-Spans' coverage of committee meetings after hours, evening parties, black-tie affairs, soirees etc. are par-excellence.

A no-nonsense 24 hour a day, factual and real network, not of a commercial nature, was something the American public has long waited for. I commend you and thank you.

Sincerely,
