

I WATCH C - SPAN BECAUSE ...

C-SPAN is the epitome of intelligence in:  
the genius of its conception  
the skill of its planning  
the perfection of its execution  
the variety of its programs  
the beauty of its photography  
the choice of its musical backgrounds  
the quality of guests chosen for the call-in hours.

I watch C-SPAN also because

I value -the fascination of witnessing events live from start to finish  
-the sense of understanding more fully the operation of the  
democratic process through watching committee hearings and  
complete sessions of Congress.

I rejoice in the absence of hype, promotion, artificiality and pretense.  
I delight in the high standard of the staffs' appearance, diction, use of  
the English language and delivery.

For years, I have been tantalized by little scraps of reporting from  
"last night's" meeting of the National Press Club dinner and have longed to  
be present for the whole affair. Now I am there. I have heard snippets  
of press conferences, candidates' debates or public hearings. Now I am there  
with C-SPAN.

There is one drawback. Even though the experts warn that  
watching television for fifteen hours a day may be hazardous to the health,  
I cannot resist. C-SPAN is addictive. But no matter - it is also necessary.  
Thank you all, on the screen and behind the scene. Keep it up.  
I watch C-SPAN because ... I cannot help it!

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