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C-Span 5th Anniversary Contest
Suite 155
400 North Capitol Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Gentlemen and Ladies,

Please accept the enclosed as my entry
to the contest.

C-Span is wonderful, as I say. And I
hope I win. What an experience that would be.

Sincerely,

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Mastic, New York 11950
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I watch C-Span because... because, because of the wonderful things it does.

The first time I tuned in to C-Span I was astonished and delighted by its novelty. To see in action Congressional representatives, politicians, famous personages and organizations I had only read about before, or seen episodically on the news, was like getting acquainted with a neighbor.

I like its practice of covering a whole event, going into depth, as with the recent primary coverage. Subject matter is obviously well-researched. Personnel come across as human beings and not robots. They are reasonably attractive without looking like wax models, and seem to be intelligent, well-informed and sensitive people. Their questions on call-ins are thoughtful and stimulating, as witness the quality of listener response. Their manner is courteous and patient; they make one feel that there is a real interest in what the caller has to say.

I was intrigued by one program in which future C-Span coverage was debated and selected by staff persons.

The ads are not too intrusive or too frequent compared to those on commercial channels -- and let's keep it that way! Station break music is civilized, classical, soothing and varied. Don't ever change this practice, either. Even credits are large and slowly projected to enable the viewer to actually read them. This shows more consideration than the token acknowledgement which regular TV gives their personnel.

Finally, C-Span is extremely helpful to those of us who wish to become, or stay, responsible, informed citizens. As more of us watch and listen, we may find ways out of the dilemmas which seem to be facing us.

I, for one, have chosen C-Span as the channel to which I turn most often. Kudos to those sponsors of C-Span who have dared to depart from the prevalent idea that TV is for the entertainment of 12-year-olds.

America grows up -- with C-Span!

CONTEST ENTRY

I watch C-SPAN because it is the best viewing on TV at this time for the following reasons.

The first time I saw C-SPAN I was astonished and delighted by its almost complete divergence from other programming. To see in action our representatives, politicians, famous personages, and organizations I had only read about before, or seen sporadically on news reports, was like becoming acquainted with a delightful new neighbor.

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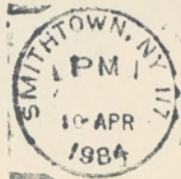
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