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I watch C-SPAN because C-SPAN is my open sesame to the what, how, why, when and where of government. How marvelous that now, in my own living room, I can attend sessions of Congress, important hearings, fascinating committee meetings, press club luncheons, news conferences, campaign debates, and all manner of other lively, interesting, informative gatherings.

How terrific to have a network that works at being fair! Where else can Americans turn ... or anyone else within reach of your signal ... and count on getting, not just two sides, but all sides of an issue? No talking up or down to anyone... no fawning over celebrities. Just an attempt... and most successfully accomplished ... for balance.

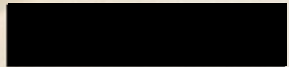
How lucky we are to have a network with the vision to perceive that an educated, well-informed, intelligent electorate can make educated, well-informed, intelligent decisions. No inflammatory messages. No appealing to the lowest common denominator. No rancor. No ax to grind. No pontificating. Whatever politics your commentators have ... they, as a man (or woman) come through as alert, open, interested and completely above board, asking questions, trying only to find out where we, the listeners and watchers, are coming from. How refreshing to be considered as part of the solution, and not the problem.

How fortunate we are to have a 24-hour-a-day network with few commercials. It's great to have no interruptions at crucial points in a fascinating debate, speech or presentation.

I watch C-SPAN, in short, because of its studious attempt to present governmental, quasi-governmental, and public affairs events in a format which is unbiased, interesting and informative. It is always there, night and day, keeping me well-informed, stimulating my thinking, on all of the important issues which affect me, my family and my country. I regret only that it was not around in my father's and grandfather's day. How they would have loved it!

Sincerely,
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