

Dear C-span

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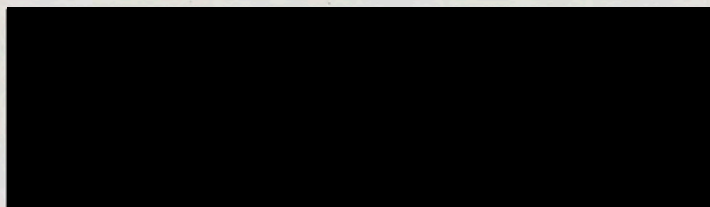
I would like to THANK you for "Booknotes" my cable company is only carrying C-span from 4PM to 4AM because Rupert Murdoch needs a channel (TED has a news channel, Rupert needs a news channel; TED has a sports channel, Rupert needs a sports channel...) I can't complain, because frankly they just don't care about the consumer (monopoly) - I spent several months last year writing everyone & knew where they took away our Canadian station. So here I am, writing another thank you letter to a lost friend.

Anyway, thanks to Brian for being the perfect host & reading the books of his guests. Sometimes the interviews were better than the books! (I didn't really care for Evan Thomas' book) but mostly I found gems of books that I would not normally have read. Some favorites - "Rosa Lee" "Lincoln" (D.H. Donald), "no ordinary time" & many others. If I have missed something in the TV Guide & "Booknotes" is on during my cable company's broadcast hours, please write me.

- While I'm at it - 3 more thank you's
1. for unedited speeches, hearings, interviews. TED & Rupert would never allow that!
 2. for showing tourist sights in DC in the summer. It's helped plan a great vacation for me!
 3. for "Prime Ministers Questions" & all your UK programming. Now that the general election is coming, I'll really miss you.

Of course, we may meet again (As I am
a working woman, I won't be watching
much between 4 & 4) TCI promises in
3 years we'll get more channels (that
promise is at least 3 years old) and they
may put you back on - or maybe even
CSPAN 2 (more books). I guess they
can dictate what I watch (monopoly)
but not what I read - and I'll try
to remain well read & informed without
your much appreciated help!

Thanks very much



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