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Happy New Year CSPAN - from a fan

Some of my favorite things:

I. CSPAN "viewer call ins". I myself can never call because I take care of my disabled Father. This limits my contacts with the outside world and gives me a chance to learn what others are thinking about what is going on in the world.

II. The complete coverage of Iran-Contra hearing, the H.U.D. scandal and the Savings & Loan committee hearings.

Edwin Grey's testimony holds the key to absolving the 5 Senators of holding up the inquiry into Lincoln Savings. It should have been highlighted by the Press Corps. Thanks to you all I heard it!

III - To end the year - the John Stockman and Larry Burns interviews. They confirmed much of what I had been thinking. We need to hear more from these people and others

2. like them.

IV. Best of all are the after hours speeches made to an empty assembly. I've listened to many and learned much.

Long before Henry Gonzalez held the hearings for the banking committee, I had listened many many times to him. His clear thinking and analyses of our problems not only in banking but in foreign policy impressed me greatly and I wondered why his constituents did not seem to be listening to him.

I cannot imagine a United States today without access to CSPAN. If more people would watch and listen to these debates and presentations of both sides of an issue, more would be anxious and eager to go to the polls and vote.

CSPAN turns voters into thinkers and eliminates the need for so many "Think-tanks" doing our thinking for us. Sincerely,