

## Democracy and Knowledge

Since I have learned to use the Internet it has become a fantastic source of information for me from info on my pet birds to the history and development of the concept of Habeas Corpus. I have recently read a report recommended to me by my Congressman. I blog, write letters to political figures and offer my opinions on movies and receive welcome replies. This is the best thing for the everyday citizen since the printing press made the Bible widely available and then dared to print other things, leading to the expansion of literacy and knowledge of the world.

Also my husband has a website devoted to a little known (outside its region of origin) genre of American music. There are only 3-4 comparable websites in the country. One of his "missions" is to expand knowledge of this music to other countries as well as the rest of the U.S. Without the freedom of the 'Net as it is this might become beyond our means.