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Dear Zena,

I would like to respond to your suggestion that the Newbery and Caldecott Banquet be replaced by an awards evening. I think the banquet has become too expensive to allow younger members to attend, too ritualized and generally tedious. As you see, I wholeheartedly support your idea. It seems to me if a formal awards ceremony were followed by a general reception, the significance of the occasion would be maintained, costs would be reduced, and the opportunity for wider socializing with authors, publishers and others would be increased.

I hope you will be able to succeed against the obstructionism of entrenched interests at ALA.

Yours sincerely
Boyd Raymond
Editor