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Dear Zena:

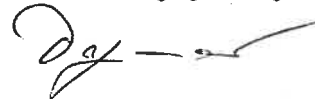
Sue Glazer's letter just arrived and I want to write immediately and not leave it until the last minute.

I am much in favor of a different format for the Newbery - Caldecott Awards presentation. While the banquet is a lovely affair, it limits attendance and will do so even more in the future, I fear. Banquet costs have risen steeply, and I wonder how much longer all of us (librarians as well as publishers) can continue to justify - or afford - spending the money.

A festive, dignified awards presentation, with perhaps a cash-bar reception afterwards, would permit more people to attend. I have always enjoyed the National Book Awards presentation and am wondering whether certain aspects of their format couldn't be adopted.

See you in Dallas.

Sincerely yours,



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