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Indeed, do "can" that N/C  
banquet. What torture for a  
librarian who just wants to hear the  
acceptance speeches. All those  
chiffon swathed dinosaurs mouthing  
polite niceties has nothing to do with  
real live kids. Children's librarians  
can't afford it, and as a younger  
(tactless) library administrator  
I have to admit that the cost  
benefit ratio is about 0!  
After all, I can read the speeches  
in TON - even if I do prefer to  
get a look at the winners in  
person.

Why not a big session w.  
speeches and then seminars  
w. the authors for those who  
really care? Or some quasi-  
academic setting more conducive  
to really learning something.

I do get ripped at the  
cash I lay out for so very  
little that makes me a  
better librarian. I often end  
up wishing that I could put  
the money in the book budget!

Thanks

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