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### Year End Giving

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### Women's Clothing Swap - Dec 5

Are you emotionally bored of certain clothing items or accessories in your closet? Are you looking to add some new pieces to your wardrobe? We're hosting a clothing swap this Thursday, Dec 5 at the JRCC office from 7-9 p.m. (coffee and dessert will be there!). You can help us prepare by signing up on the JRCC Women's Clothing Swap facebook page to let us know that you are coming. Admission is by donation and all funds raised will go to support Mercy Ministries.

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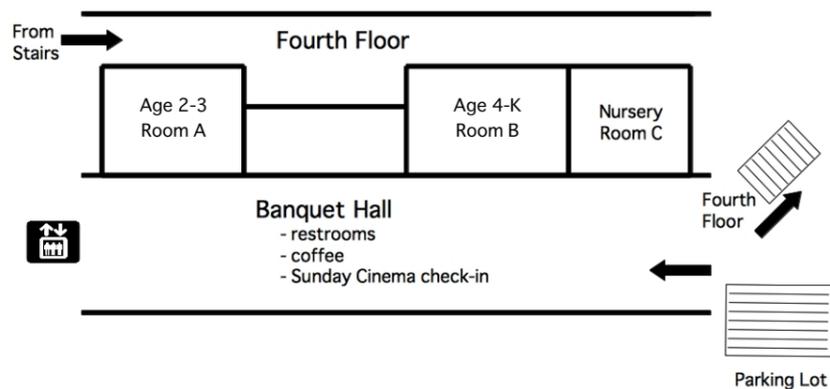
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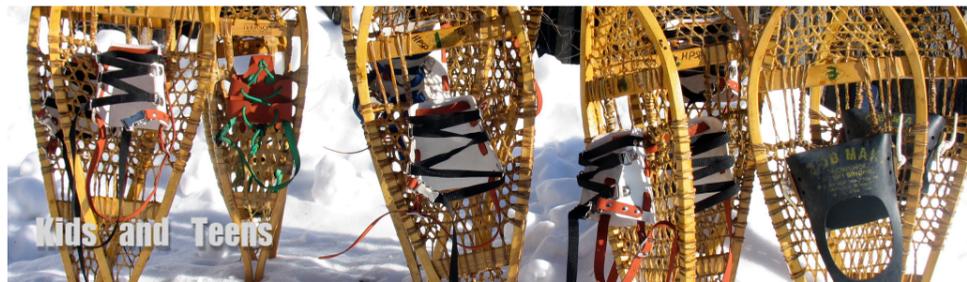
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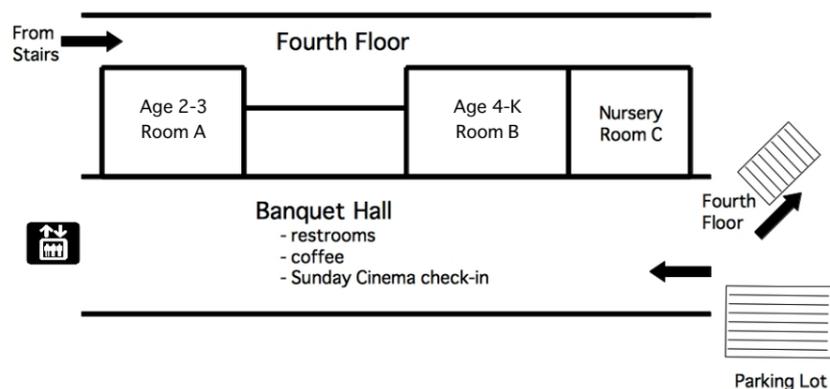
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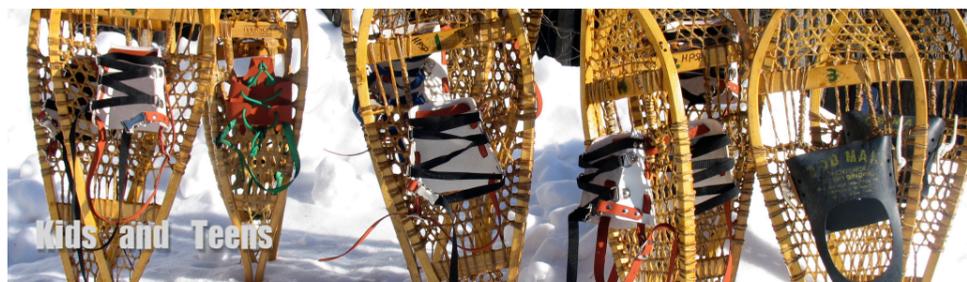
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