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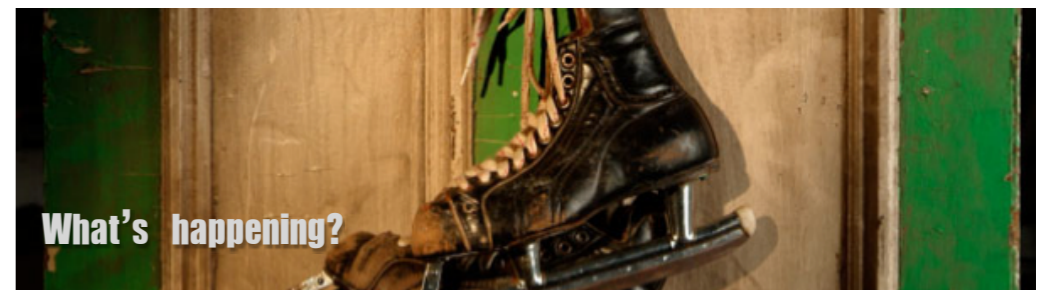
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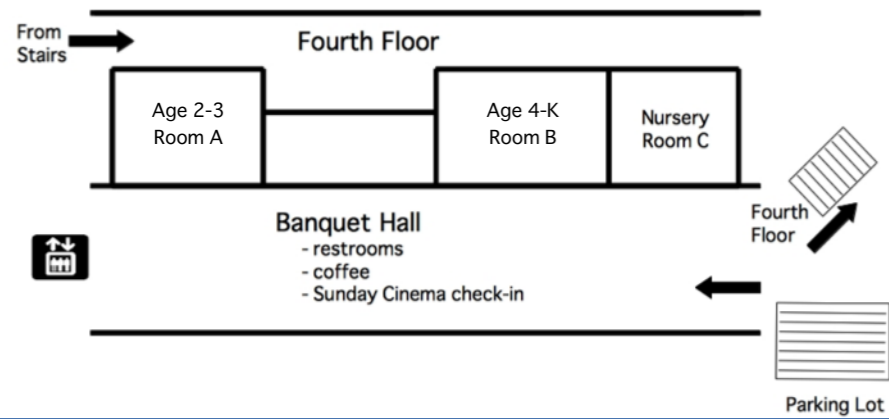
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Look for smaller youth hangouts at fun locations throughout spring break. Check your e-mail for an upcoming list. Got an idea? Talk to Pastor Mike.

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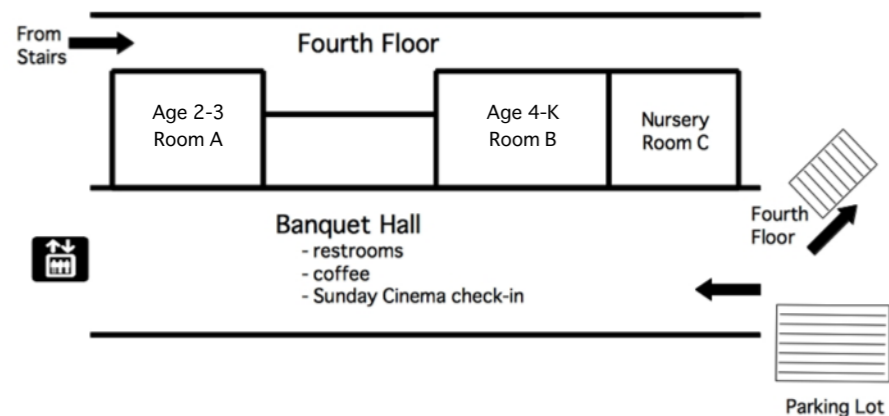
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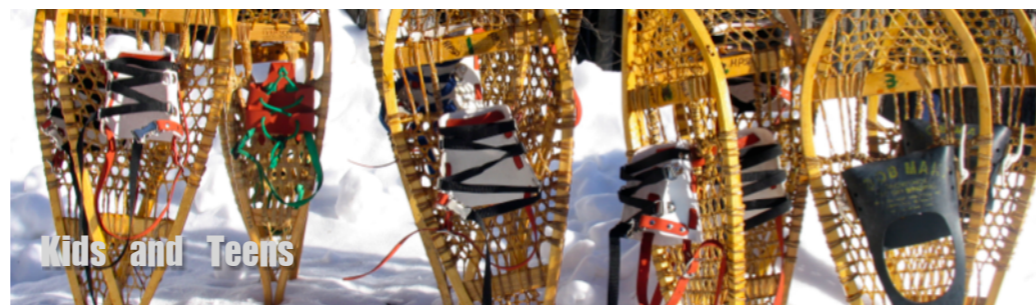
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