Awesome Alum!

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Yellowstone County Alumni Series, this month featuring Ricardo Castro

When did you attend the Club?

I joined the Club in 1971 and the membership fee was \$1.25. I must of been 11 or 12 when I started going to Club.

Which Club?

I first attended the Boys Club when it was in the basement of the old Parmly library. It was where the Western Heritage Center is now. My brother attended first then I joined.



What were some of your favorite moments/memories?

The Boys Club was lots of fun with games, basketball and pool. I was a pool shark back then. I remember Gordon Eldredge as the manager of the Club but also as a great boss. He was



always positive and encouraged us to make good decisions. I enjoyed Club, meeting new friends and having a great time playing basketball and going on field trips.

Tell us about your journey after your time at Club?

I started working at the Club as a janitor when I was in high school and I worked with another organization called Youth Man Power. After high school I joined the Army.

If you could give a Club kid of today some advice, what would that be?

Be cool and stay in school. I would also like to tell them to go to the Boys & Girls Clubs, it's a safe place to go and a place for you to grow.

If you are a Club alumni or know of anyone that is, we would love to chat!

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