



Awesome Alum!

**The Boys & Girls Clubs of
Yellowstone County
Alumni Series, this month featuring
Melinda Shaffer**



Which Club did you attend? When?

I attended the Lockwood Clubhouse from second grade (2007) through eighth grade (2014).

What was your most memorable experience at Club?

My most memorable experiences at Club were always some sort of extracurricular activity, like taking dance lessons, learning Taekwondo, and going on the numerous field trips Club offered over the summers. My favorite by far was when I was selected to go on the Teen Trip to Denver! We toured colleges, went to a Colorado Rockies game, toured Mile High Stadium and so much more! I learned so much and met so many amazing people. It was definitely a trip I will never forget!

What have you accomplished since your time at Club? (School, Job, Family, etc.)

Since my time at Club, I moved to Reno, Nevada to attend the University of Nevada, Reno. I graduated in May of 2023 with two degrees - a Bachelor's in Psychology and a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice, as well as a minor in Developmental Disabilities. I currently work as a receptionist at an outpatient mental health facility while I save up to return to UNR to work on a Master's degree in Social Work to one day become a therapist!

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

If I could give a Club kid of today some advice, I would urge them to branch out of their comfort zone and get involved! My most fond memories of Club are always of Teen Late Nights, Just Dance tournaments, Talent Shows, etc.



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