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- AT: 22:12 You mentioned little league and swimming, I'd like to hear more about is, um, what did you do for fun outside of school?
- GY: 22:20 We ended up going to the, uh, the boys club. McCormick Boys' club everyday.
- AT: 22:32 Can you tell me more about that?
- GY: 22:32 Sure.
- AT: 22:34 What is that?
- GY: 22:35 McCormick Boy's Club was a club that started out being for the boys know they come and they have activities, they got game rooms, they have crafts, they have a pool, they have a gym, so they have all these activities. So we would go sign up for activities and go shoot pool, play ping pong, we would just hang out there all day. I think maybe this was the, our parents designed to get us active than to do stuff, but it worked. So we were on the swim teams, which means you go swimming four, five times a week just to practice.
- AT: 23:22 Where would you swim?
- GY: 23:23 At the club, in the pool and then we go out. We have meets, so pack up the car and go to different other clubs and have meets. That took up a lot of time. Yeah.
- AT: 23:42 And do you remember um, like any other Japanese American businesses or restaurants, grocery stores?
- GY: 23:53 Yeah, we remember. I remember, um, a lot of restaurants on the North side. I don't remember their names necessarily, but there was one on Broadway and a block South of Foster,

Winona There used to be a Japanese restaurant, I think it might be a Zuma House. There used to be a gift shops, little Japanese gift shops. There was one on Clark and Belmore around the corner. Used to go in there. There used to be ah a Japanese, little grocery store across from the BTC, Buddhist Temple used to just go in there, you know, you can always get a Bontan Ame in those places, which is fun for us. That was the highlights.

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