

## Businesses

Chinatown  
cheaper than Kensington Market, 052W0:58:30  
Corner stores  
on Major, convenience stores, 052W0:55:30  
shoemaker, 052W0:56:00  
Delivery  
knife sharpener, 052W0:57:00  
Harbord Bakery  
remember my mother fighting with Goldie, she  
would mix day old bagels in the new ones,  
052W0:24:00  
Harbord Fish & Chips  
they always ask about my son, 052W0:52:00  
Harbord Fish Market  
water tank truck, full of fish, 052W0:16:00  
Honest Ed's  
dance marathon in the 60s; Kelly went for 3 days,  
etc., 052W0:39:00  
people would flock there, 052W1:00:00  
Kensington Market  
as a kid, stores would give me credit; mom would  
go down and pay right away, 052W0:14:30  
Kromer Radio, 052W0:17:30  
Loblaws  
on Dupont, was a Power store, now LCBO,  
052W0:01:00  
Momo's Restaurant  
food piled high, 052W0:52:30  
Porretta's (pizza & restaurant), 052W0:17:00  
Restaurants  
noise & neighbours, 052W0:29:30  
Shoemaker  
on Major St. and one on Brunswick, 052W0:56:00

## Children & Youth

Children  
moved into neighbourhood from Christie Pits area;  
still hung out in old area, 052W0:01:30  
Dating  
church dances, 60s, 052W0:36:30  
"we moved as a group," 052W0:41:00  
Discipline  
my mother was tough on me, didn't want me with  
the wrong crowd, 052W0:04:00  
Playing & games  
"I did a lot of fighting too.," 052W0:11:00  
kids from all different schools gathered on Central  
Tech stairs to hang out (50s), 052W0:05:00,  
052W0:08:00  
Sunday nights gathered at gas station [Major &  
Harbord]; house beside Black family would  
sing, 052W0:06:00  
Social clubs  
St. Alban's Boy's Club on Albany, 052W0:08:30  
Youth  
dances at Catholic and United churches; once I  
got caught by a priest in the sanctuary and  
asked if I was a Catholic, etc., 052W0:36:30  
Honest Ed's dance marathon in the 60s; Kelly went  
for 3 days, etc., 052W0:39:00

## Education

Central Tech  
houses and laneway torn down for Central Tech  
field, 052W0:02:30  
remembering before football field, when houses  
were there, 052W0:02:00  
what it was like before the football field,  
052W1:05:00  
Essex Public School, 052W0:04:30  
University of Toronto  
mom always afraid they would expand into the  
neighbourhood; but felt they wouldn't bully the  
church, 052W1:01:00

## Ethnicity & Culture

Anglo Saxon community  
[50s, was probably one of very few Anglos in  
area], 052W0:01:30  
didn't mix with Jewish community, 052W0:33:00  
Black community  
every Sunday night this family would sing,  
harmonize, 052W0:06:30  
Communities (various)  
mixture black, white, Italian. Not too many Jewish  
guys at the church dances, 052W0:36:30  
Jewish community  
Anglo kid found "they stuck to themselves,"  
052W0:33:00  
Language  
"everyone spoke English around me,"  
052W0:36:00  
Race relations & racism  
kids ethnically divided; gangs, 052W0:08:30,  
052W0:10:00

## Health Care

Doctors Hospital, 052W0:31:30

## Historical Events

Rochdale  
hippies; drugs, people jumping, 052W1:06:00

## Houses of Worship

Churches  
dances at the Catholic churches certain  
weeknights and at the United others (50s,  
60s), 052W0:36:30  
United Church  
Bathurst south of Bloor; called High C, youth  
dances in the 60s, 052W0:37:00,  
052W0:41:00

## Housing & Home Life

Conditions  
just one floor, just me and my mom; tiny house,  
052W0:25:30  
Dogs  
my mom always had two dogs, 052W0:54:30  
Families  
my mother was tough on me, didn't want me with  
the wrong crowd, 052W0:04:00

Food  
smelled the cabbage cooking next door, Ukrainian lady; she wouldn't give my ball back, 052W0:48:30

Porches & verandas  
Portuguese families sat out; no air conditioning, 052W0:44:00

Renovations  
didn't change the facade; added, 052W0:25:30

Laneways

Activities  
hang out after school, Central Tech (50s), 052W0:02:30

Children & youth  
today kids play in the lane; consider it theirs, 052W0:20:30

Playing & games  
learned to play catch in the lane, 052W0:22:00

Travel  
"Always used the laneways. Always"; still do, 052W0:23:00

Names

Ford, Dale, 052W0:34:30

Hait [sp?], Lorraine and Sharon  
Major St., 052W0:07:30

McDougalls, 052W0:35:00

Perry, Sandra  
lived off Harbord St., by the bakery, 052W0:08:00

Shepherd family  
had six girls [on Major], 052W0:07:30

Whyte, Bobby  
born 1947, moved to 135 Major St. late 50s, 052W0:00:00  
was an athlete, therefore accepted most places, 052W0:33:00

Neighbourhood & Community

Changes  
Doctors Hospital, 052W0:31:30  
houses and laneway torn down for Central Tech field, 052W0:02:30  
more professional people; can't be bullied, 052W1:08:30

Jewish Community Centre (JCC)  
non-Jewish kid "lucky enough that I went" there, 052W0:33:00  
played floor hockey with a couple of Jewish guys there, 052W0:34:30

Moving into  
when mother died moved back downtown, renovated the house; neat to be part of neighbourhood, 052W0:49:30

Neighbours & neighbours' relations  
good relations; the blackout in the 2000s; everyone knows my grandson, etc., 052W0:45:00, 052W1:04:30  
people look after each other, 052W0:19:00  
restaurant noise, 052W0:29:30

Parks & playgrounds  
Alexander Park, hockey rink, 052W0:25:30

Christie Pits, in winter, skate, etc., 052W0:25:00, 052W1:11:00  
Vermont Park; I opened the community centre, showed people around, 052W0:09:00

Occupations & Finances  
Grocery store cashier, 052W0:01:00  
Knife sharpener, 052W0:57:00

Streets & Intersections  
Christie Pits, 052W0:00:30  
in winter, skate, etc., 052W0:25:00  
Harbord & Bathurst  
used to be stores where football field is, 052W0:02:30  
Major St.  
corner stores, 052W0:55:30  
Major St., 135  
used to live near Christie Pits (50s); liked it, 052W0:00:30  
Markham St.  
police station, where horses went, 052W0:13:00

Transportation

Horses  
water stations for the horses; Spadina and College, in roundabout, 052W0:11:30

Streetcars  
used to go up Christie St., 052W1:10:00

Traffic maze  
"I wasn't one for change...but you go with the flow," 052W0:43:30

Walking  
used the laneways, 052W0:23:00