

Businesses

Bloor Cinema
"intellectual feel to it...really artsy movies,"
071N0:38:00
Book City
"hope it will be there forever," 071N0:38:30
Caversham books
"intellectual," 071N0:35:00
Dessert Trends
"really yuppified," 071N0:35:00
European Meat Market, 071N0:47:00
Harbord Bakery
"there a long time," 071N0:36:30
Honest Ed's, 071N0:39:00
"it was packed, packed, packed," 071N0:39:00
Kensington Market
changes – "more bohemian" – more second hand
stores now, 071N0:44:00
Sneaky Dee's
"more yuppified now," 071N0:37:30
Splendido
"What is this one doing here?...should be in
Yorkville," 071N0:36:00
Women's bookstore, 071N0:34:30

Children & Youth

Boys and Girls House
had library where Yiman Ng and friends hung out,
071N0:24:00
Playing & games
in house, instructed not to play on the street after
school, 071N0:25:30
with neighbours "we were always nice kids...there
were no problems," 071N0:23:00
"used to be more kids," 071N0:14:00
Racism
"beaten up by some girls in the school...we didn't
have the language," 071N0:19:00

Education

Asian community
cultural attitude to education, all siblings went to
university, 071N0:49:00
cultural attitude to education, "school first...we were
obedient" etc., 071N0:28:00
English as a Second Language
about learning English at school and ethnicity of
school then and now, and as a way to get a
better job "hard time understanding...mostly
Caucasian students" etc., 071N0:02:30
"behind in French...mother didn't understand why I
had to take French," 071N0:07:30
Lord Lansdowne Public School
building, "amazing architectural style," 071N0:02:00
University of Toronto
houses rented out to students, 071N0:43:00
"nice to have...gave an intellectual feel,"
071N0:48:00
Walking to school
took laneways to school, 071N0:08:30

Ethnicity & Culture

Asian community

cultural differences, concerning neighbours and
other ethnic groups, 071N0:22:30, 071N0:30:30
cultural differences, concerning parenting and
discipline/assertiveness etc., 071N0:20:30

Language

English, learning as a means to a better job,
071N0:06:00
English learning at school and ethnicity of school
then and now, and as a way to get a better job
"hard time understanding...mostly Caucasian
students" etc., 071N0:02:30

Race relations & racism

"beaten up by some girls in the school...we didn't
have the language," 071N0:19:00

Health Care

Morgentaler Clinic
bombing "just aware of it...issue-specific,"
071N0:33:30

Housing & Home Life

Backyards
gardening, vegetables "just my Dad's garden,"
071N0:26:00
Bedrooms
about amount of space for 6 people, 071N0:01:30
Living conditions
families, family spent more time inside than outside,
071N0:27:30
Porches & verandas
didn't use much – only in hot weather, 071N0:26:00
Renovations
changes to houses "maintain characteristics" of
neighbourhood etc., 071N0:41:00

Laneways

Travel
used laneways to get to school, 071N0:25:00

Names

Ng, Yiman
immigrated from Hong Kong as 12 year old,
071N0:01:00
oldest of 4 children, 071N0:24:30
Ng, Yiman (parents of)
moved to another house on Major St., 071N0:16:30
needed to learn English to get a better job,
071N0:05:30

Neighbourhood & Community

Boys and Girls House
had library where Yiman and friends hung out,
071N0:24:00
Gentrification
Bloor Street changes – "too many Japanese
restaurants," 071N0:37:00
fewer families living here, more young couples,
071N0:15:30
houses changing, more young couples moving in –
"more yuppified," 071N0:40:30

less families, change in lifestyles etc. "really nice to live here...never boring," 071N0:51:00
store changes and more expensive restaurants now "yuppified" etc., 071N0:32:30
stores becoming more intellectual – Caversham Bookstore, 071N0:35:00

Moving away
walk to everything, "such a nice neighbourhood...cry if I had to move," 071N0:17:30

Neighbours & neighbours' relations
neighbours not talked to or visited – cultural differences, 071N0:22:30

Noise
Bloor St. is noisier now, 071N0:11:00

Safety
concerning safety and changing businesses etc., 071N0:13:00
laneways were safer than today, but can walk, feel safe, even though murder and some vandalism etc., 071N0:09:30

Occupations & Finances

Finances
"my Dad spent less than a hundred bucks on groceries and TTC was 25 cents," 071N0:47:30

Garment industry
sewing machine operator, 071N0:06:30
"sunset industry....moved to Vietnam and China," 071N0:07:00

Language
learning English as a means to a better job, 071N0:06:00

Mechanics, 071N0:06:00

Streets & Intersections

Bloor & Spadina
"centre of the universe," 071N0:56:30

Bloor St.
changes – "too many Japanese restaurants," 071N0:37:00

Major St., 153
childhood home of Yiman Ng, 071N0:00:30

Markham St.
"really, really nice," 071N0:40:00

Transportation

Walking
to everything, "such a nice neighbourhood...cry if I had to move," 071N0:17:30
used laneways to get to school, 071N0:25:00