

Harbord Village Residents' Association Oral History Project / 2013 INDEX : Mr Joel 021J  
Personal observations & opinions on neighbours & neighbourhood today

Businesses

93 Harbord (restaurant), 021J0:16:30  
Bicycle shop  
    (La Carrera), 021J0:17:30  
Bloor Cinema, 021J0:13:00  
Book stores  
    Bloor Street, 021J1:03:00  
Brunswick House Tavern, 021J0:12:00  
    lovely building, bad business, 021J0:33:30  
Charlie's Gallery, 021J0:17:30  
Clay Design  
    "it was fun" making pottery, 021J0:24:30  
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Future Bakery  
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    (not named), 021J0:18:00  
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        021J0:15:00  
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    wine, 021J1:01:30  
Jewish stores  
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        021J0:25:30  
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        021J1:06:00  
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    like having them in neighbourhood,  
        021J0:13:30  
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Children & Youth

Children, moving in, 021J0:22:00

Education

Central Tech  
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    first building to cost a million, 021J0:06:30  
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        021J0:39:00

University of Toronto  
    walking to work, 021J0:02:30

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Chinese community  
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    "offspring" leaving, 021J0:19:30  
    quiet neighbours, 021J0:44:30

Hungarian community  
    "a bit of a thug," 021J0:20:00

Italian community  
    elderly leaving, 021J0:19:30

Jewish community  
    neighbourhood, elderly leaving, 021J0:19:30  
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Language

Chinese, "colourful" English, 021J0:30:30  
English, none, 021J0:29:30, 021J0:31:00

Health Care

Doctors Hospital, 021J0:12:00

Historical Events

Morgentaler Clinic  
    "I met the doctor," 021J0:14:00  
Rochdale  
    "reeked of dope," 021J1:12:00

Houses of Worship

Churches  
    "fully functional" [where Mary Sutton goes],  
        021J0:27:00

Synagogues

dancing in the street, 021J0:26:30  
like them on the street, 021J0:13:00

Housing & Home Life

Backyards  
    birds; too many mourning doves,  
        021J0:43:30  
    gardening, grapes and vegetables  
        replaced with leisure, 021J0:44:30  
    use all summer; quiet, 021J0:43:00

Garbage

hate seeing bins, 021J0:05:30  
informal exchange of unwanted items,  
    021J0:51:30

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- new bins and system [rant against],  
021J0:50:30
- Heating
  - venting furnaces, 021J0:48:00
- Living conditions
  - families, Consiglio family, 021J0:07:30
  - "not the material for landlords," 021J0:02:00
- Pets
  - dog walking community use of Central Tech,  
021J0:39:30
  - dogs, sausage dogs in alley mural,  
021J0:29:00
- Renovations
  - age and construction, 021J0:10:30
  - "architectural changes," modern,  
021J0:31:30
  - awkward old houses, 021J0:46:00
- Laneways
  - Naming project
    - not happy with one of the choices,  
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  - Consiglio family
    - Brunswick Ave., 200 & 202, 021J0:07:30
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    - addresses, 021J0:00:00
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      - painted mural to discourage graffiti,  
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021J0:07:30
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    - not left-wing in a left-wing area, 021J0:04:30
    - painting inspired by kids dancing,  
021J0:38:30
    - suggestions to fix up TRANZAC, 021J0:33:00
  - Keith, 021J0:56:00
  - Liss, John, and Daria Love, 021J0:56:00
  - Sandy, 021J0:57:30
  - Wurfle, David and Kathy [described, not named],  
021J0:56:30
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  - Changes
    - new buildings, 021J1:05:30
  - Crime
    - break-ins, increased house security,  
021J1:09:30
  - Dog walkers
    - Cheryl, 021J0:54:30
  - Graffiti
    - painted mural in exchange for dinner,  
021J0:28:00
  - Moving away
    - seniors; old people leaving, 021J0:19:30
  - Neighbours & neighbours' relations
    - everybody has lived on Brunswick,  
021J0:12:00
    - housing prices, "we never see the new  
neighbours," 021J0:21:30
    - "I'm in the neighbourhood," 021J1:14:30
    - "people not taking care" on Brunswick,  
021J0:36:30
    - rentals, "a lot of coming and going,"  
021J0:21:00
    - travel agent once lived next door,  
021J0:09:00
    - want people to "fix up their houses,"  
021J1:13:30
  - Parks & playgrounds
    - "encouraged deadbeats," 021J0:23:00
  - Pedestrians
    - hauling laundry to Laundromat, 021J0:52:00
  - Safety
    - space between houses important for fire  
prevention, 021J0:49:00
  - Occupations & Finances
    - Freelancers from home
      - convenient for clients, 021J0:02:30
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    - Buying, reasons for
      - house as investment, 021J0:00:30
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    - age and construction, 021J0:10:30
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    - Brunswick Ave. [626?]  
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    - Harbord St.
      - empty stores, 021J0:14:00
    - Harbord St., 93, 021J0:16:30

Transportation

Automobiles

doesn't own, rents when needed,  
021J0:41:00

Bicycles

Bixi Bikes, like but not on my street,  
021J0:34:30

Other

ease of, 021J0:11:30

Traffic maze

"more respect" for one ways, 021J0:41:30

Walking

no longer have a car, 021J0:12:30  
to work, 021J0:02:30