

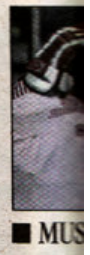
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ST. CATHARINES — A federal Green Party representative took to suggest not re-visit the Liberal Party of Canada. Jim Fannon, who won several provincial and federal elections for the party and is now the riding association's communications director, planned to introduce the motion at the meeting April 17. He said there were not enough members at the meeting, but he was also to decide on a candidate who would run. There was no quorum.

Fannon, interviewed last week, introduced a motion in order to give Walt Lastewka as the Liberal candidate in the last federal election. Lastewka by 246 votes over the Liberals. Fannon had party members to vote which has been rescinded.

Earlier this month, Fannon dealt with Green leadership in each other's homes. It has been praised by supporters. But it has also raised questions, including Green ties, including Green a few days later.

St. Catharines native Mark Montefiore transformed his quiet neighbourhood on Nello Street in the north end of the city into a semi-zoo for the shooting of *Back In '93*, a 10-minute short film he wrote and directed. The plot is centred around a young St. Catharines resident who must keep his fantasies of playing with his favourite hockey team — the Montreal Canadiens — a secret from his Toronto Maple Leaf-loving peers. Filming took place from Friday to Sunday.

ALISON BELL/STAFF PHOTO

Lights ... camera ... march!

North-end neighbourhood transformed into movie set

BY ALISON BELL
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ST. CATHARINES — E.L. Crossley Secondary School's marching band stepped into the movie spotlight and under the warm sun this past weekend. The 50-member group spent close to five hours in north St. Catharines

Saturday morning shooting a scene for the made-for-TV-movie *Back in '93*. All said and done, they will appear in the 10-minute film for a mere two minutes, but every minute of the long shoot was worth it, said the band's music director. "It's a great experience for them," said E.L. Crossley music teacher Dave Gaines. "We play for millions of people every

year but this is different." Gaines said the on-screen appearance isn't the first for the well-known band. In 1994, members of the group appeared in Canadian Bacon, a movie starring former Second City and Saturday Night Live star John Candy. The band has also appeared in various commercials.

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