

Hand in Hand

by the hand

Life can be rough for the end of an arm. Nothing is handed to you on a silver platter. So sometimes I have to take things into myself as I want to accomplish anything.

And so it was when I tried out for the Capitol Campus soccer team. It's pretty hard to excel at soccer when you're a hand--I mean, I can't even use myself unless I play goalie! I tried out for goalie but I didn't make it. They said I didn't have the height for it. Nothing is handed to a hand.

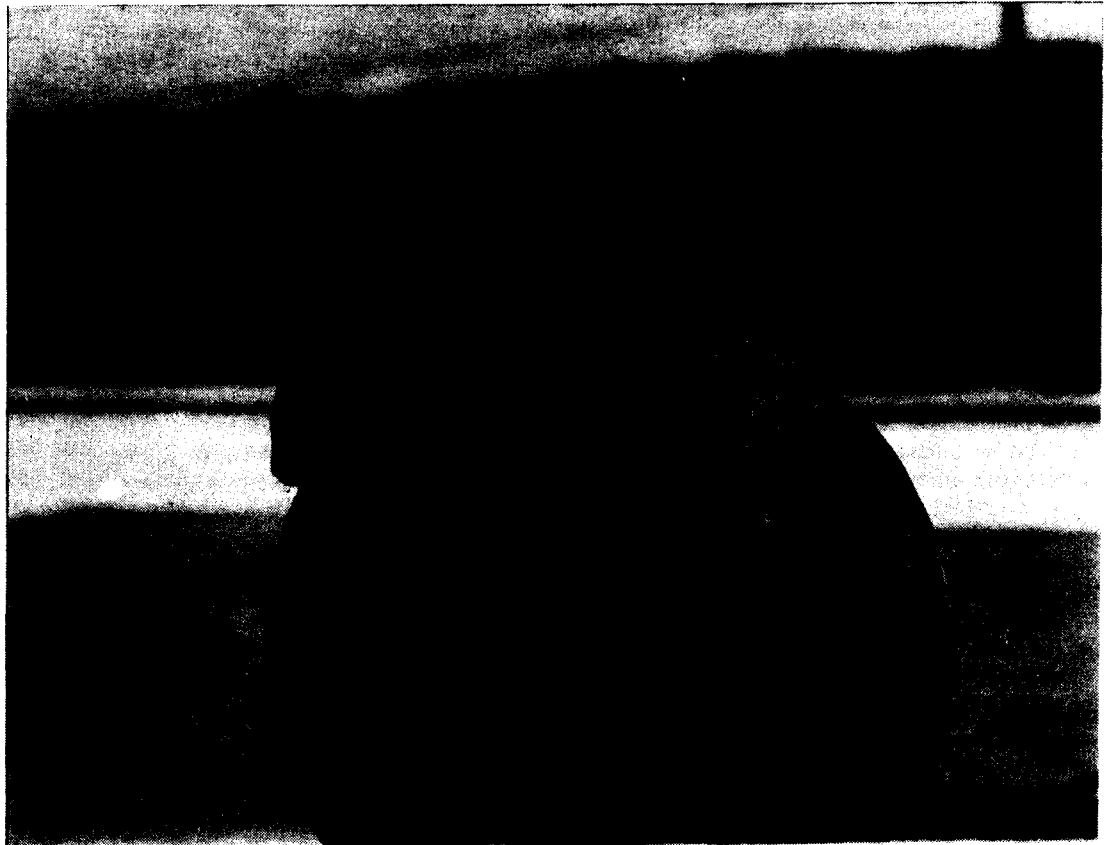
When I found out that I hadn't made the goalie position, I threw myself up in the air in despair. The coach noticed this and I guess he felt sorry for me. So he took me by myself and told me to cheer up for I could still help the team. He said everyone knows that hands can be lent and given. That made me feel better.

I really don't mind lending and giving myself to the team, but I get sore when we win.

Everyone picks me up and shakes me but they forget I'm by myself and let me drop when they're done. Usually by the eleventh shake, my fingers are all pretty sprained. Whoever said playing on a team involved sacrifice sure knew what he was talking about.

Be that as it may, I now feel that I'm an important part of the team. In fact, just the other day our coach told me it was mighty handy to have a spare hand around when he needed one. He said it in front of the team and my cuticles turned red.

Being a hand has its pros and cons. People consider me a minority (even though there are twice as many of us as there are people) but everyone can always use a good hand, so I feel needed. I think I'll just keep my fingers crossed and hope I can continue to be an adroit member of society.



PennDOT to sponsor Baha 500

by j d

The Baha road rally -- that grueling test of a motor vehicle's tires and suspensions over the rocky, hole laden peninsula of Southern California -- has come to Pennsylvania.

Using modified vehicles, drivers entering the Pennsylvania Baha 500 mile road race will storm through conventional Pennsylvania roads. The location for the Pennsylvania Baha 500 has not yet been determined.

Penndot assures Baha race enthusiasts that the proper terrain could be found on nearly any Pennsylvania road.

"Pennsylvania is an ideal location for the race, with its myriad of potholes, bumps and overall rough road condi-

tions," exclaimed a Penndot official. "We should take advantage of our natural resources here in Pennsylvania. Baha enthusiasts who are residents of Pennsylvania won't have to go to California for this sort of race," he continued.

Penndot believes that the Baha will bring in many tourist dollars.

"People will flock from all over the eastern coast when they hear that Pennsylvania has its own Baha road race," the official said.

Much energy is expected to be conserved by holding a Baha race in Pennsylvania. Enthusiasts on the eastern coast won't be using the energy for the trek to California.

No major renovations will be needed for the race, said Penndot.

"There are plenty of Penndot officials with red flags to direct the vehicles and enough spare workers to officiate the race. But to obtain a checkered flag for the finish, we must fill out the proper forms and send them to notaries, congressmen, traffic cops and go through the rest of the bureaucracy. The only problem we anticipate is that we get nothing but checkered flags and that every official will be designated to use one," Penndot stated.

Race time will be announced in the near future by Penndot.

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