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Dear Friends of Shabahang,

On behalf of the board of trustees of Shabahang we hope that you and your loved ones had a great summer.

As you are fully aware, and we are so proud to say, Shabahang is one of the rare Iranian organizations which has survived for almost 3 decades, and it has become more than just a place for people to gather for its various events. The organization has been very unique in bringing rich Persian literature, poetry and music into its monthly programs and many annual cultural events to Philadelphia, participated by several hundreds of Iranians and Iranian-Americans in the Tri-State area.

Seven years ago, Shabahang established a Scholarship Fund for young Iranians, Iranian-Americans or students with Iranian heritage in undergraduate, graduate or professional degrees from the Tri-State area. Since then, each year the three top students based on their merit and leadership skills have received \$2000 in scholarship awards. A few years ago, our organization started another merit scholarship for \$300 for high school sophomores and juniors.

As the community of Iranians and Iranian-Americans is rapidly growing to be the future leaders of our community, city, state and the country, we would like to invite you to be a major part of this success story to keep our young talents and highly educated students proud and successful.

Therefore, we invite you to make a generous donation to the scholarship fund. Shabahang is a nonprofit 501c3 organization (EIN 23-2624501) and your contributions are tax deductible. Annual donations in your name, in honor or in memory of a loved one are all welcome. For your review, attached please find the list of outstanding Iranian students who received scholarship awards over the past seven years.

We thank you in advance and hope to hear from you soon. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us at: contact@shabahang.org.

Sincerely,

Sarah Siah
President, Shabahang

Simin Dadparvar, MD
Chair, Scholarship committee



Shabahang Merit Scholarship Awardees

<p>Scholarship Award Winner 2012-2013 Mehrnoush Soroush, 1st prize PhD candidate, Study of Ancient World, New York University</p>	<p>Scholarship Award Winners 2013-2014 Hamed Simchi, 1st prize PhD candidate, Materials Science & Engineering, University of Delaware</p> <p>Sina Nassiri, 2nd place PhD candidate in Biomedical Engineering, Drexel University</p> <p>Milad Memarzadeh, 3rd place PhD candidate in Civil & Environmental Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University</p>
<p>Scholarship Award winners 2014-2015 Golkoo Hosseini, MD, 1st place Master of Education candidate in Interdisciplinary studies in human development, University of Pennsylvania</p> <p>Sibia Ranjbar, 2nd place PhD candidate in Environmental Engineering, Temple University</p> <p>Mohammad Nozari, 3rd place PhD candidate in Chemical Engineering, Drexel University</p>	<p>Scholarship Award winners 2015-2016 Saeed Tiari, 1st place PhD candidate, Mechanical Engineering, Temple University</p> <p>Mahboobeh Mahdavi, 2nd place PhD candidate, Mechanical Engineering, Temple University</p> <p>Sogol Baharlou, 3rd prize PhD candidate, Bioengineering, Temple University</p> <p>High School Student: Shayan Farmand, 1st prize Junior, Methacton High School</p>
<p>Scholarship Award winners 2016-2017 Mohammad Hassan Lotfi, PhD candidate, University of PENN</p> <p>Nima Missaghian DMD candidate, University of Pennsylvania</p> <p>Afroz Ansari pour PhD candidate, Industrial Engineering Penn State University</p>	<p>Scholarship Award winners 2017-2018 Seyed Reza Moghaddam PhD candidate, University of Pittsburg</p> <p>Arash Hosseini PhD candidate, Temple University</p> <p>Ahmad Shamsabadi PhD candidate, Drexel University</p> <p>High School Students: Setareh Atighechi, Sophomore</p> <p>Negar Ghassemi, Senior</p>
<p>Scholarship Award winners 2018-2019 Hamideh Talafian PhD candidate, Drexel University</p> <p>Amirreza Hashemi PhD candidate, University of Pittsburg</p> <p>Kiana Daghig Malta Undergraduate, Rutgers University</p>	