

Shohrae Hajibashi Leadership Award:

Our dear friend Shohrae Hajibashi passed away on 1/29/2011 after her courageous battle with cancer. Sho, as many of her friends affectionately called her, served on the Student InterCouncil (SIC) for many years and held the position of President in 2007-2008 during her years at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) as she worked towards her MD/PhD. As a charismatic leader, she brought together and led a diverse group of students both at UTHealth and at the UT System Student Advisory Council, making difficult decisions and fighting for the students that she so passionately represented. From organizing our big charity drive --- United to Serve --- to toy shopping for underprivileged children at Christmas as part of the SIC toy drive, to her unique and interesting perspectives and solutions, Shohrae, her bubbly and bright personality, her sunny outlook, and her infectious laugh will be greatly missed.

Shohrae will forever be remembered in our hearts joyfully dancing around the room, bright colored flowers from centerpieces stuck haphazardly in her hair, singing at the top of her lungs. As a compassionate and dedicated leader, and loving and loyal friend who showed others how to appreciate all the joys that life has to offer.

The Student InterCouncil has established a leadership award in Sho's memory that will be given each year, beginning in 2011, to a UTHealth student passionately involved in student leadership. If you wish to donate to this scholarship, please send a check made out to "UTHealth" with "in memory of Sho" in the memo line to the following address:

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