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Schilling Robotics hosts 2006 Marine Technology Society barbecue and scholarship ceremony

Over \$35k raised for marine technology scholarships, breaking the record for funds raised in one year

Houston, TX—October 25, 2006. Schilling Robotics, a leading producer of remotely controlled underwater vehicles, opened the doors of its new Houston, TX headquarters for the annual Marine Technology Society (MTS) barbecue and scholarship ceremony held Thursday, October 19 from 5-8 p.m.

Approximately 270 people attended the barbecue and scholarship ceremony. Nine students from Texas A&M University (TAMU) and TAMU-Galveston were awarded scholarships, designed to help their pursuit of degrees related to marine technology. A record-breaking \$35,000 was raised this year towards scholarships. This event’s success is indicative of a quickly growing industry that is in a fight for qualified, new talent and adapting to changing technology, such as the technology in Schilling Robotics products.



2006 MTS Scholarship winners are, left to right, April Spiller, Mark Evans, Michael Arthur, and Juan Monge.

Schilling Robotics played a critical role this year as a Diamond-level sponsor, donating over \$5,000 worth of services and money to MTS. “We feel a vested interest in MTS and the members and future members. Our talent pool is generated largely from organizations such as MTS, and with the explosive nature of our business, good talent is a valuable commodity. We look forward to seeing the scholarship winners in the industry and watching them build their careers with us,” said Jason Stanley, Schilling Robotics VP and Regional Manager.

A vendor exhibit was open for industry designers, tooling equipment and services, as well as a Schilling Robotics ROV interactive station where visitors could test the tooling equipment in a simulated environment, keeping visitors busy trying to establish the technical skill of an ROV-trained engineer.

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About Schilling Robotics, LLC

Headquartered in Davis, California, with regional offices in Houston and Aberdeen, Schilling Robotics designs and delivers the highest-performing, most advanced subsea robotics, controls systems, and components for use in the world's harshest environments. The company brings over 20 years of technology expertise and innovation in control, communication, and actuation to the challenges facing customers in subsea environments. For more information go to www.ssaalliance.com.



The MTS Scholarship and BBQ committee includes, left to right, Lisa Medeiros, Geospace Offshore; Jason Stanley, Schilling Robotics; Tyler Schilling, Schilling Robotics; Melissa Woods, Harvey-Lynch; and Chuck Richards, C.A. Richards & Associates.

About the Marine Technology Society

The Marine Technology Society is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit professional society comprising ocean engineers, technologists, policy makers and educators. Incorporated in 1963, it provides the ocean community with forums for the exchange of information and ideas through its peer-reviewed *MTS Journal*, conferences, newsletters and web site (www.mtsociety.org).