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Bayou La Batre, Alabama. While there was no Forrest Gump or a Bubba Gump Shrimp Company to be found, there were two 1800 ton liftboats to be launched. Berard got the call and after months of planning, it was time to execute the move to get these two vessels wet.

The liftboats had to be loaded out onto a barge that was narrow enough to accommodate the leg pads, which were lowered as the vessel progressed onto the barge. The barge was then moved away from the bulkhead to lower the rear leg pad and lift itself from the transporters and barge. The barge was moved from underneath and the liftboat then lowered itself to it's first taste of water.

Our new Goldholfer Mega PSTs, in addition to three files of SPMT's, for a combined total of sixty two axle lines were used to handle the 1800 ton load. The new Mega PST's, the first and only set in existence in the United States, and one of two in the world performed beyond our expectations. Berard will be acquiring more of the Mega PST's in December.



Brad Courville setting the SPMT's under the massive load.



An "areal" shot of the vessel. To get an idea of how massive it is, take a look at the guys standing in front of the pilot house.

See the liftboat launch photos here!

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Moving onto the barge, slowly but surely!



The vessel beginning its ascent from the transporters & barge.



The Mega PST's doing what they do best!



Brady Judice gives the project a thumbs up!



Hubert Landry setting ramps for the big move.



Braedon Berard & Brady check out the scene.

> Got Gumbo? | We Do!

The Berard team made it's first World Championship Gumbo Cookoff appearance in New Iberia. Team "Berard Mega Movers" chef's Dustin LeMaire and Carolyn Bouillion cooked up a mean chicken & sausage gumbo that was enjoyed by the masses. While we didn't place, we made it to the semi finals, not bad for a first time in. Thanks to everyone for all the hard work & fun times!



Our beloved chefs, Dustin "Patrick" LeMaire & Carolyn Bouillion



The Berard Team strikes a pose!



Carolyn with the judges samples



Can you say mmmmmm!

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The Berard Booth - An eye candy extravaganza!



David Berard & Tony Broussard know how to make an entire booth fit onto one cart.

The Berard team turned out for the Breakbulk Transportation Conference & Exhibition In New Orleans, Louisiana. The event was very well attended and we would like to thank all those who stopped by the booth to chat. Visitors got a glimpse of the new Berard video which will be released online soon as well as on dvd in the near future.

Keep your calendar cleared as Berard will be attending the upcoming International Workboat in New Orleans. The show will be held at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center 900 Convention Center Blvd on December 3-5. Look for us at booth 2810.

> Employee Spotlight | Braedon Berard



Braedon hard at work making sure everything is ready to go!

Braedon Berard, son of Johnny & Cheryl, grandson of Roy Berard, grew up in the heavy transport industry and today carries on the Berard family legacy. Braedon is 29 years old and happily married to his wife of five years Jenny Berard together with their 3 year old son Andrew Roy Berard.

Braedon holds a bachelors degree in civil engineering from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

What do you like most about the job?

"I love the different challenges that we encounter on a daily basis from the variety of projects we undertake. Meeting the needs of our customers is probably one of the most challenging but also most rewarding parts of my job. Making sure my customers are happy and their jobs are handled on time and in budget is my first priority. The equipment I enjoy the most are the spmts. They are so versatile and intelligent. They make your job look so easy but at the same time keep you on your toes."

"Every day is a learning experience with this equipment and I always look forward to the next. I'm very proud to be a 3rd generation Berard learning from the best in my grandfather Roy Berard, dad Johnny Berard and uncle Randy Berard. I keep pride in continuing our good reputation and look forward to taking Berard to the next level and our continued family business with my cousin Brett Berard."



Braedon with his father Johnny Berard