



# Day in the Life of a Fire Fighter

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**Fire fighters have to  
get up at  
3:30AM-6:30AM**

**You think its easy getting  
up at four  
And getting out the door?**



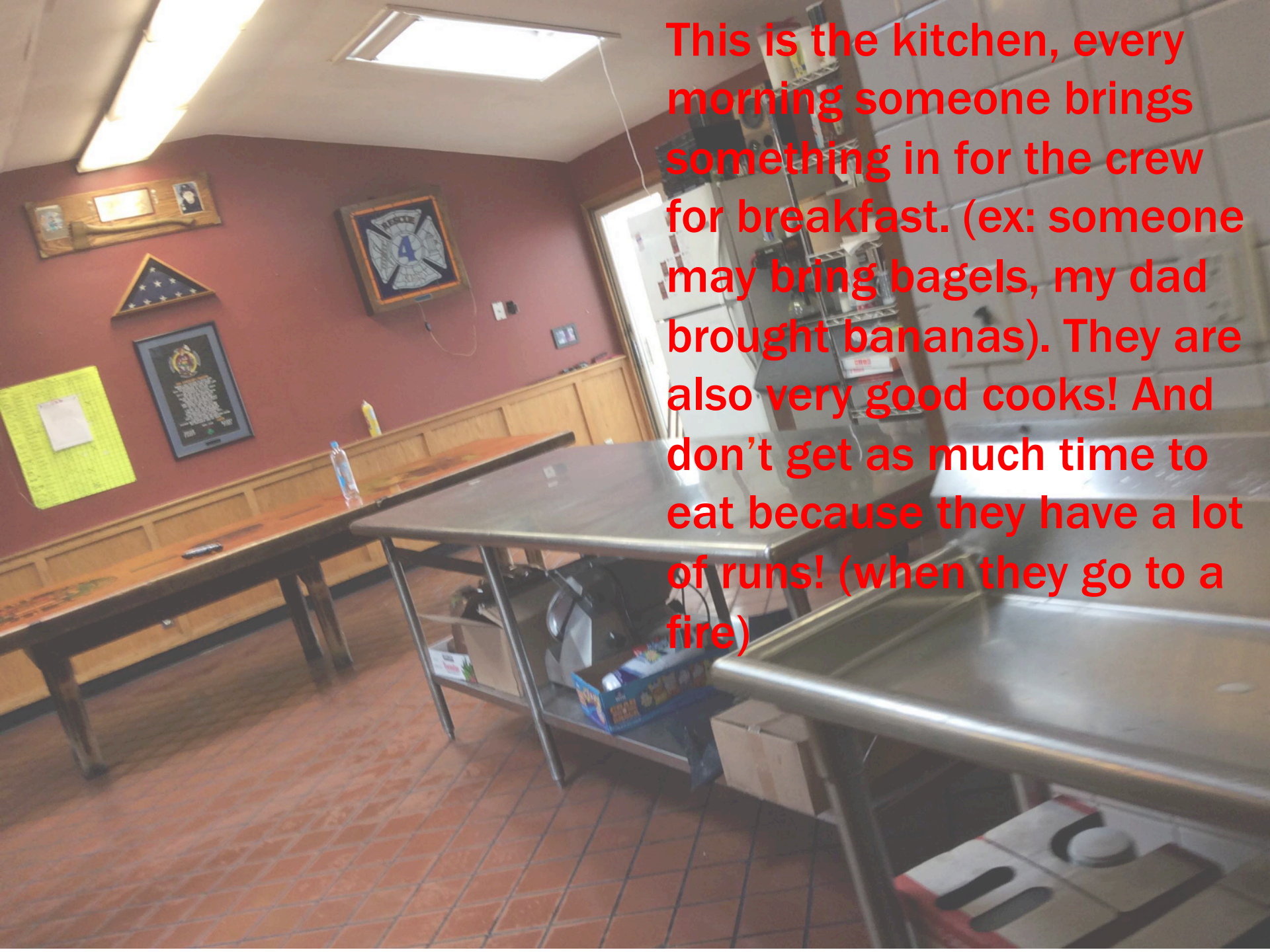
This is my dad's "station"  
This clothing is very hot and sweaty and can weigh 75-100 pounds! There is this oxygen mask they wear. In the back seats of the fire truck, in the seat there are oxygen tanks that connect to the oxygen mask so they can breathe through the smoke. They also have this alarm on their jacket that signals if a Fire fighter isn't moving it goes off. And trust me it's LOUD. They have that to make sure if anyone is in need and isn't moving. It's very helpful when you're in a house with FIRE AND SMOKE and to make sure no one is hurt.





This is what they do when they don't have a run. They work out and trust me those weights my dad is lifting are, 45 pounds for each ring so that's 90 pounds and the bar is 45 pounds so that's 135 pounds! And you can't see but in the back there is a fake child (the real weight of a child") and a fake fire fighter. To use to prepare if there is a situation if there is a kid in pain or a fire fighter is down.





This is the kitchen, every morning someone brings something in for the crew for breakfast. (ex: someone may bring bagels, my dad brought bananas). They are also very good cooks! And don't get as much time to eat because they have a lot of runs! (when they go to a fire)





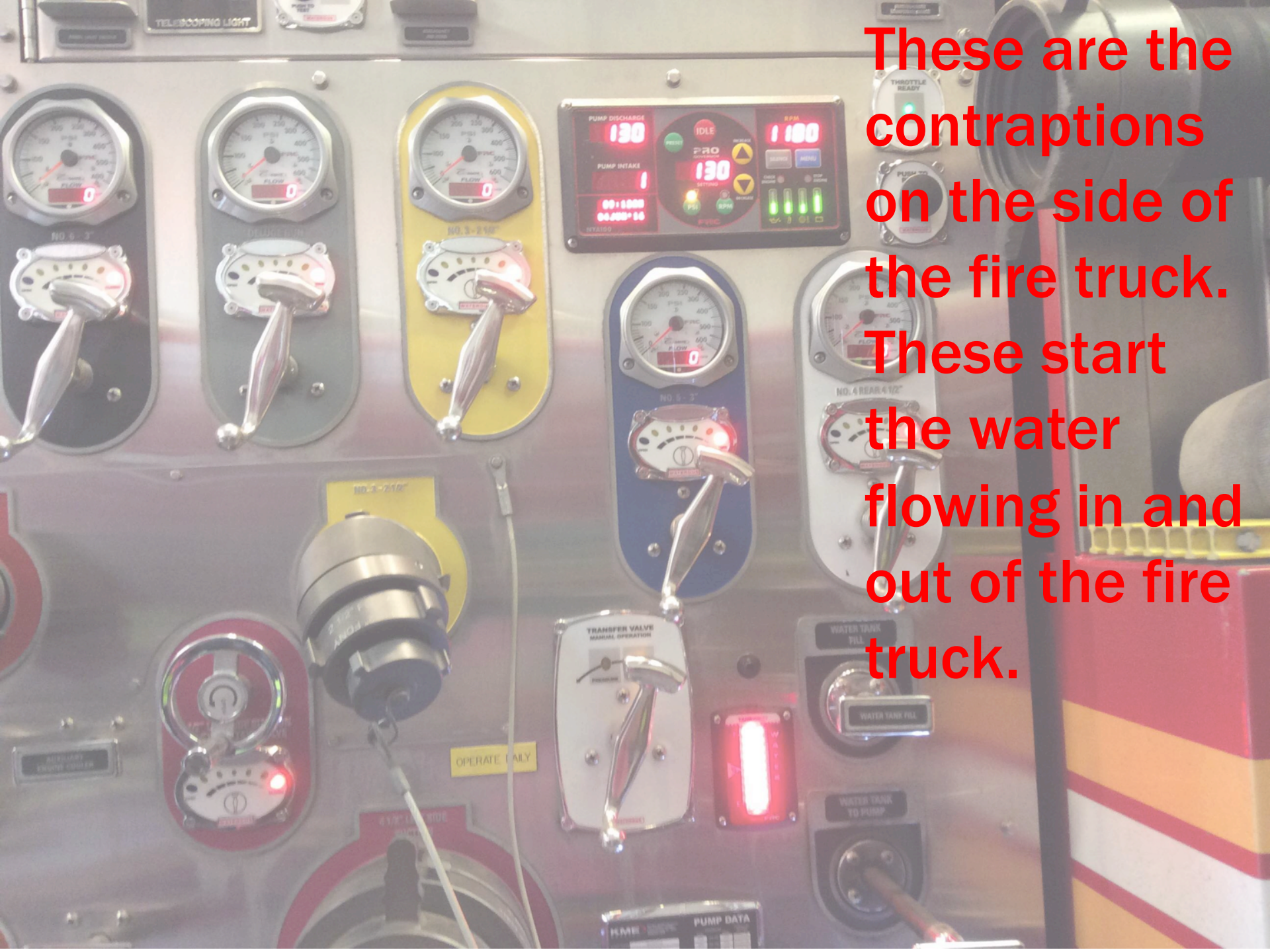
**Did you ever notice these hoses? They are super long and are very useful! Some hoses attach to holes on the side of the truck) and they connect the water (from the fire hydrant) into the truck and then they need to get another hose to connect into the water in the truck. Sort of confusing right?**





**This is where  
the fire fighter  
sleeps. Trust  
me, they don't  
get luxury!**





These are the contraptions on the side of the fire truck. These start the water flowing in and out of the fire truck.



This is the  
fire house  
entrance.  
They have  
the same  
entrance on  
the other  
side

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ENTER QUARTERS  
COMPANY IS OUT.  
REPORT A FIRE  
IN ALARM FROM  
BOX LOCATED AT  
63 ST.  
QUEENS BLVD.

CAUTION  
WHEN ALARM BELL SOUNDS  
TANK FILLED TO CAPACITY  
DO NOT OVERFILL

B5

DIESEL

TANK ID:  
G.P.C.  
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P.S. NO.

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**This is my  
dad in all his  
full suit!**



# Interview

**Q: How long have you been a fire fighter?**

**A: Over 15 years**

**Q: What are the Pros and cons of being a fire fighter?**

**A:**

**Pros: Saving lives, very fulfilling job and helping people in need**

**Cons: The equipment is heavy and hot. Working nights, weekends and most holidays.**

**My dad works at 292 rescue 4 on 64<sup>th</sup> street between Queens Blvd and Blvd of bravery. The Fire Department of the City of New York (FDNY) is the largest Fire Department in the United States and is recognized as the world's busiest and most highly skilled job. The FDNY's main job is to protect, take out fires and other safety for the 5 boroughs.**

It takes a long time to prepare for saving lives and preparing for disasters.

In 1865 this was the “birth” of the FDNY. They help make New York the safest big city in the nation. FDNY not only responds to more than a million emergencies every year, but they are your best friends.

