

Let's Pretend...Ice Cream Shop

Are you ready  
to pretend?  
Let's go!





Close your eyes.  
Now open them...

We're at an ice cream shop!





Just about  
everyone loves  
ice cream. Little  
kids love it.

Ninety-year-old  
great grandmothers love it!





Even dogs like ice cream! My mom says, “He’s going to need a napkin!”



My grandpa says a little rhyme whenever we go to the ice cream shop. He says, “I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!” You try it: “I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!” Pretend you are licking an ice cream cone!



Today my mother is taking my friends and me out for ice cream. She says, “Buckle up girls!” On the way over in the car Mom says, “Start thinking about what flavor you want to order. That way when it is our turn we will be ready.”



Sometimes when we go it is very crowded and the line to wait is out the door! Then the servers shout out, “Can I help the next group in line, please?”

When I grow up and I'm in high school, I want to work at the ice cream shop. They sell lots of flavors of ice cream and even sherbet. I want to be an ice cream server.



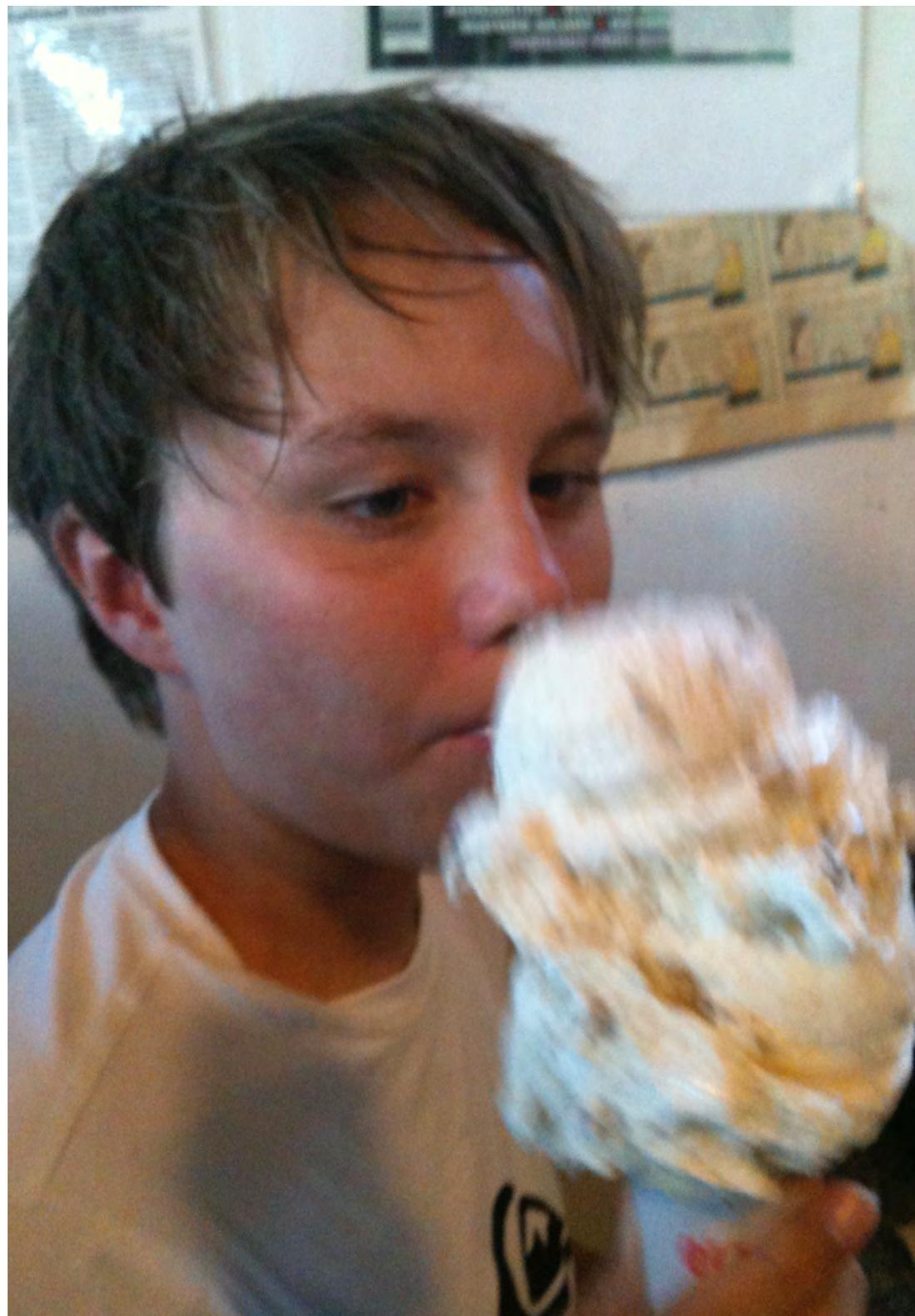
The servers take orders and prepare the ice cream treats. They have to work together like a team!



Abigail is my neighbor and she works as a server. She says, “Okay gang, what can I get you? Do you know what flavor you want? Do you want that in a dish or a cone?”



I say, "Mom, can we get an extra large scoop like that boy?" Mom says, "I think you girls should get medium cones or dishes."

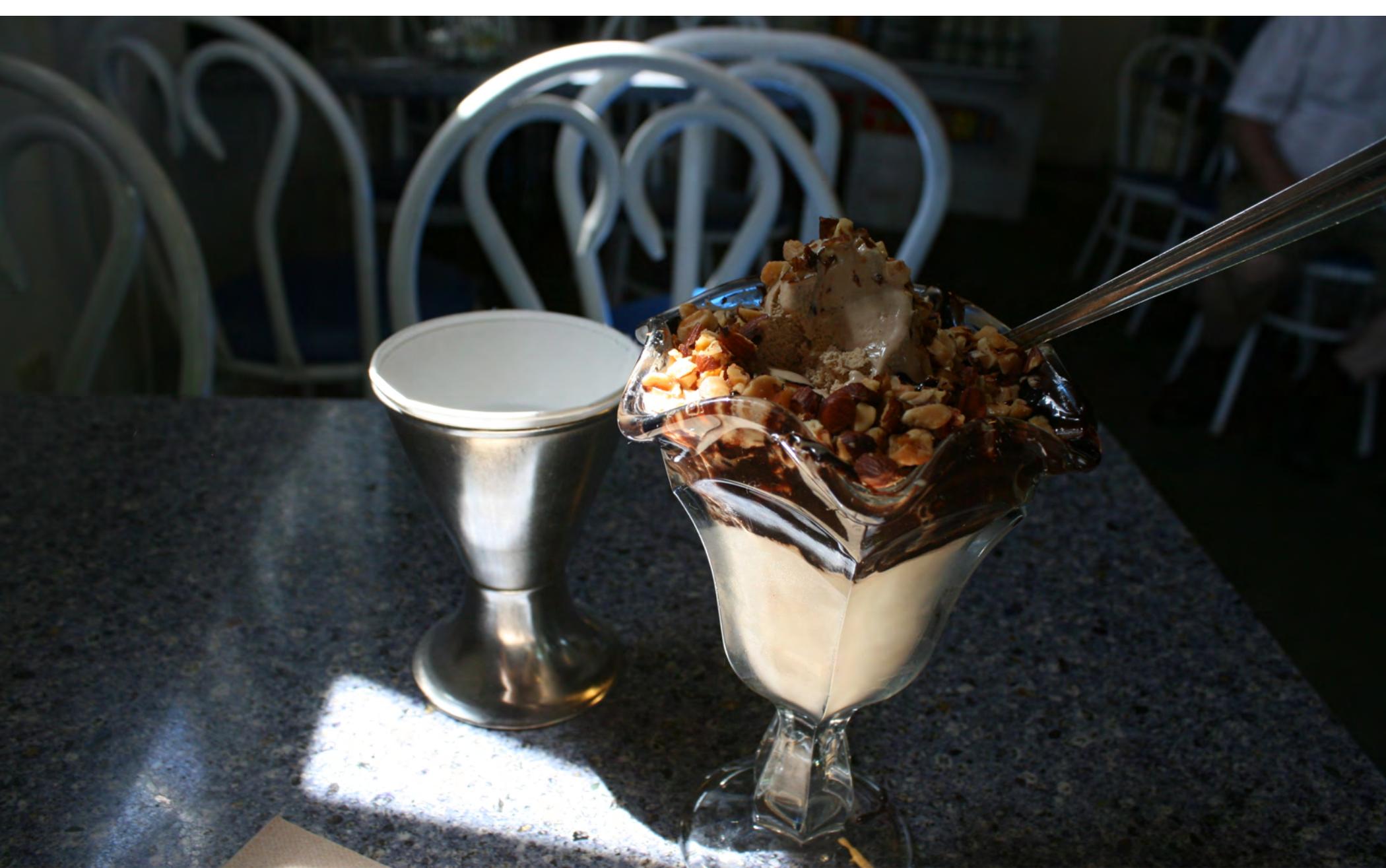


We decide to get dishes instead of cones. Abigail goes off to scoop it for us. One of the other servers yells “CHOCOLATE!” That means they need the ice cream makers to bring out another tub of chocolate. Chocolate is a favorite flavor. It sells fast like vanilla and chocolate chip.





Turn and tell a friend what flavor of ice cream you like and what you'd order. Try asking your friend, "Would you like that in a cup or a cone?"



My mom says, “I’ll have a hot fudge sundae with coffee ice cream and almonds. No whipped cream, please.”



The servers use a tool called an ice cream scoop to serve the ice cream. They squeeze the scoop to make the ice cream come out onto a cone or into a bowl.

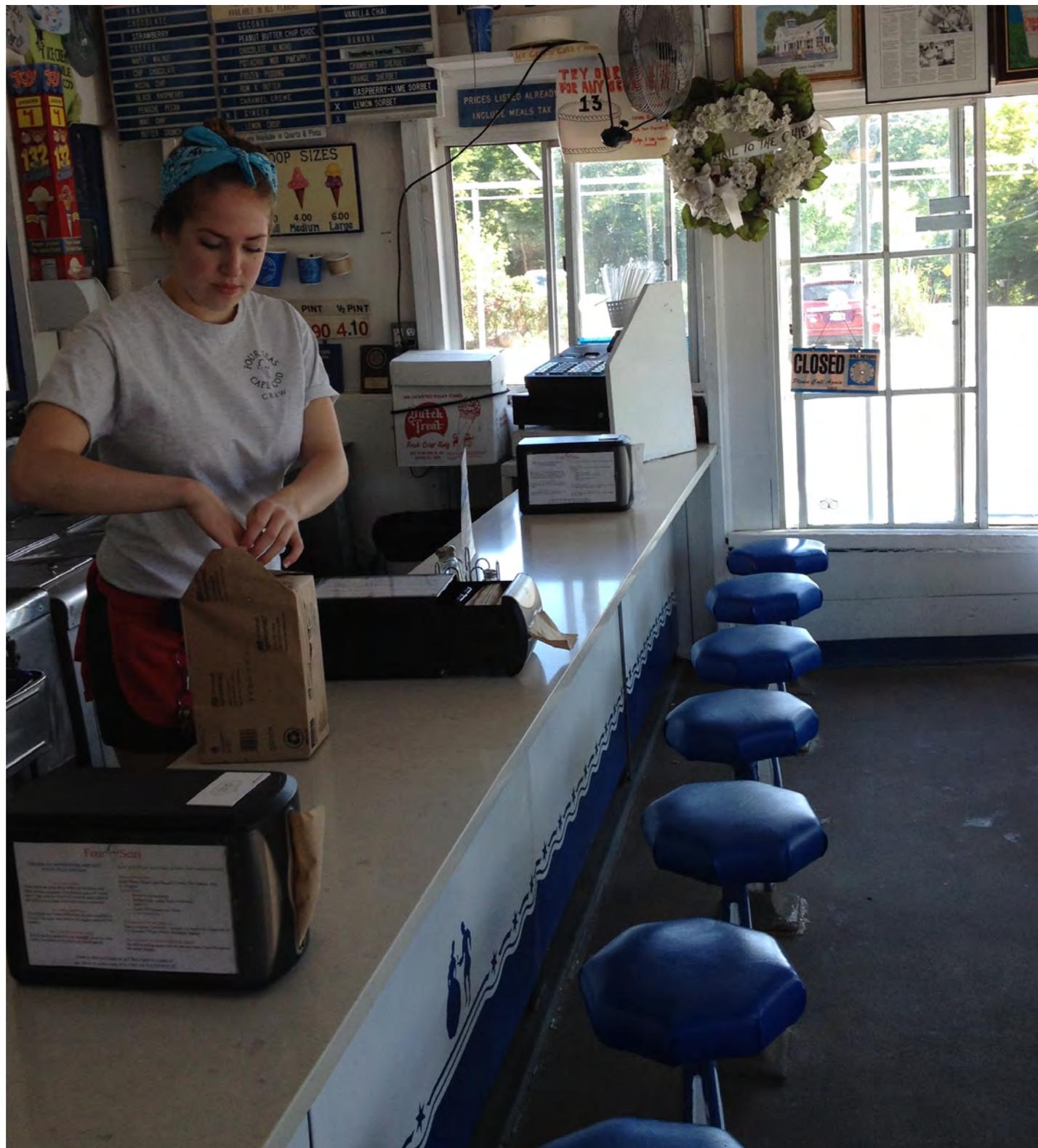
This server leans in to get the ice cream. Each freezer compartment door has a different flavor. The servers know just where everything is!

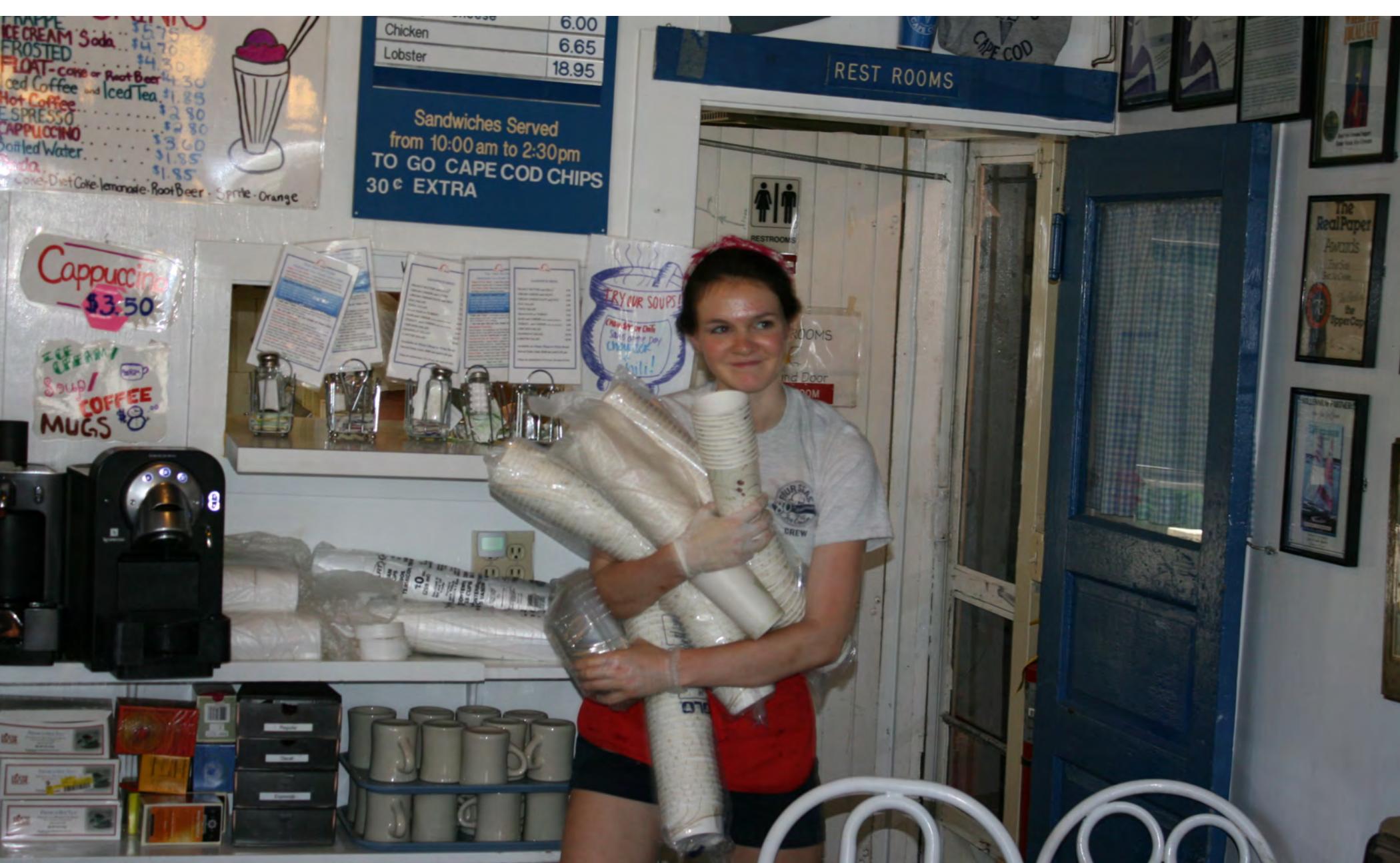


Pretend you are a server at the ice cream shop. Open the lid on the flavor you want. Lean over with the ice cream scoop in your hand. Now scoop it up. Squeeze the handle to get the ice cream out. Be careful, don't break the cone!

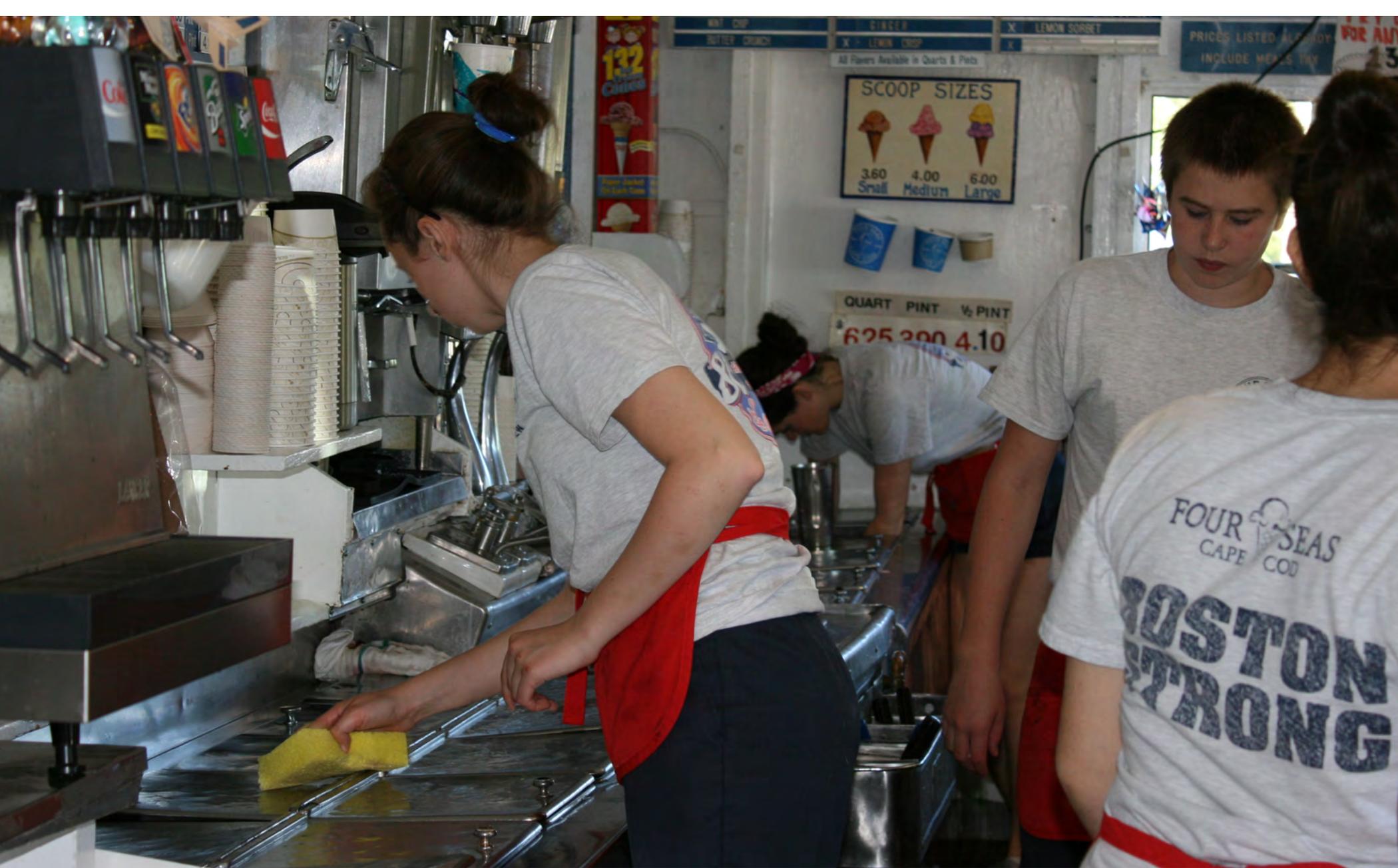


When it is not busy, the servers do things to get the shop ready for customers. They fill the napkin holders with napkins.





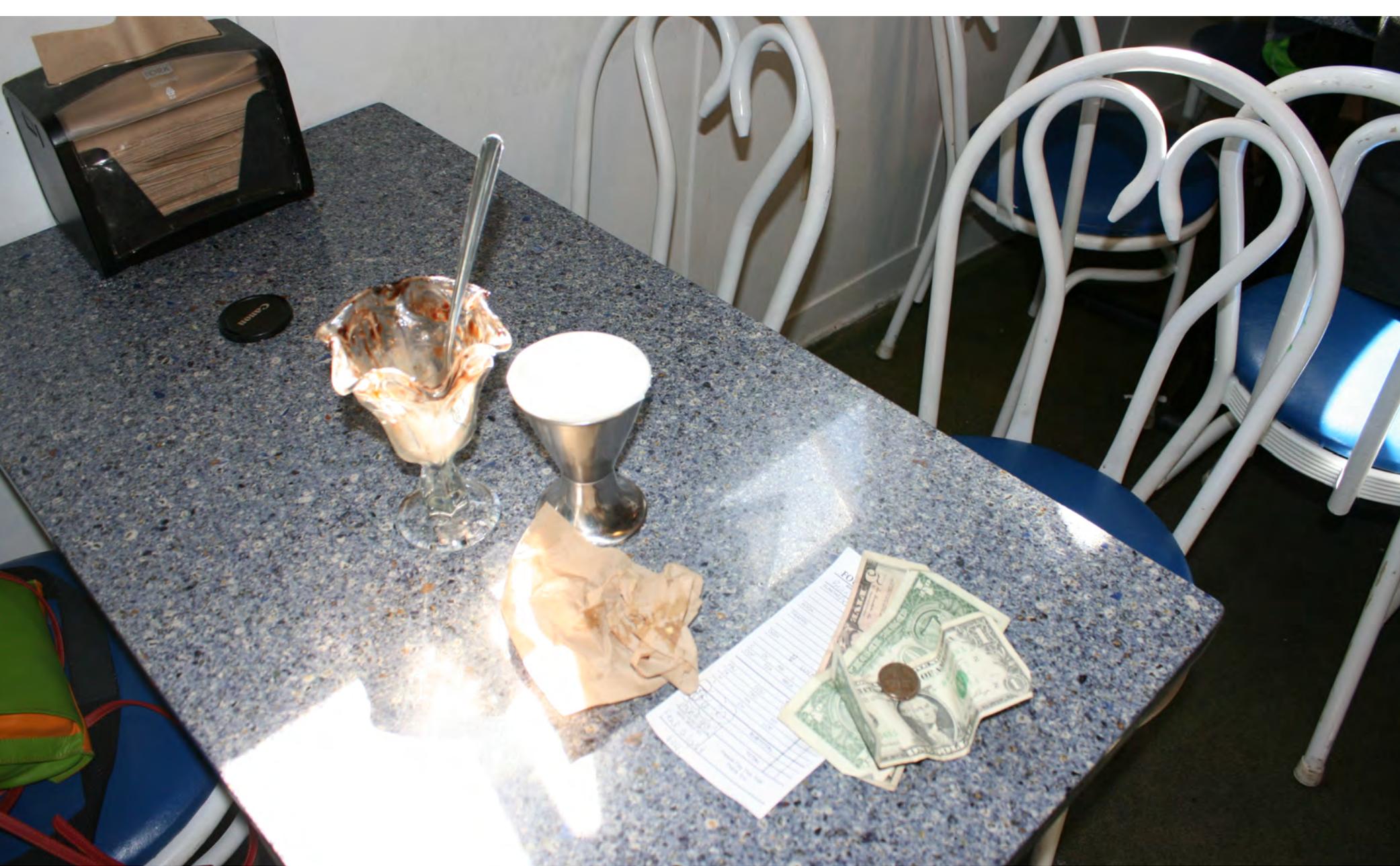
They replace the cups so everything is ready when it is busy.



Even the manager of the ice cream shop helps. She says, “I’ll clean up this area. Will someone please bus the tables? The hot fudge needs to be refilled too.”



“I’ve got the tables! I’ll clear the dishes and wipe them down. Whew, what a busy afternoon!”

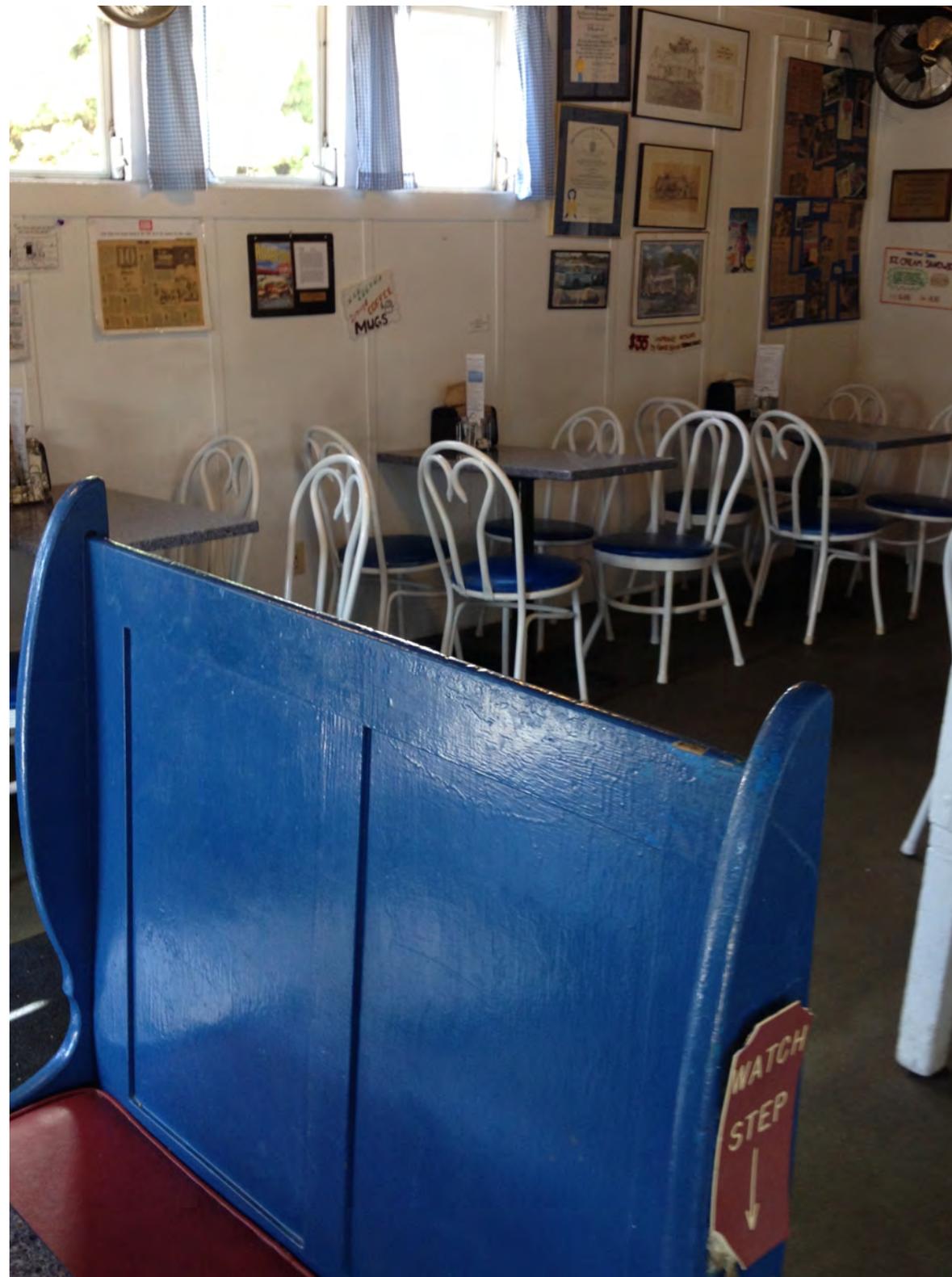


When we are done eating, Abigail brings us the bill. My mom says, “Thanks, Abbie. It was delicious!” We leave the money to pay for the ice cream on the table, with extra as a tip for Abigail.



Abigail even gets to use the cash register. I really want to work at the ice cream shop someday.

Abigail says, “Come again soon!” I hope we will!



Now it's your  
turn to pretend!

