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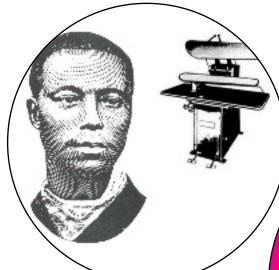


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# (A)Talk With Jane...

Vulnerability is so important these days. How many people you choose to be vulnerable with is up to you. The important part is having the right people to open up to. Also, sometimes you are very guarded and don't realize you aren't letting in the people who could help you. Nobody talks about the walls we build as we go through life. Many become so emotionally overwhelmed that they instead come off jaded. Then it becomes hard to form platonic and other relationships. You need to let the right people in. When was the last time you told someone something that was weighing your heart? When did you feel comfortable talking to someone and not feel like you shared too much or have guilt about it? If you really think about it, are you able to come up with an answer? Really look within. I think you need to be honest with yourself about what matters to you. As well as what you think you want to share with others. It could be something that happened in your childhood or something that just traumatized you. It could be your grief over someone you lost; it could be anything you deem worth it to ponder about. Sometimes all someone needs is a person to listen to them. When something weighs in your heart and you keep it in, you're just testing your mental health. You know you are doing better when you are able to talk about your feelings. What helps you get there is therapy and other coping techniques. When you are emotionally healthy, vulnerability comes with it. Putting your guard down and trusting someone with your feelings and deepest thoughts is a wonderful feeling. Don't be afraid to live your life with emotionally healthy feelings. Your life will be more meaningful and you'll be more happy.

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## BEAUTY.



Featuring
Nude Barre by Erin Carpenter

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Erin Carpenter, founder of Nude Barre, started her company with a mission and belief that everybody deserves to find their perfect hue. Her company creates access and representation by providing bodywear that matches people's skin tone. Nude Barre is a specialty line of eco friendly undergarments made in 16 shades of nude to match all skin tones. Durable enough for active women and stylish enough for everyday fashion. These high quality undergarments are fit for performance. The idea for Nude Barre surfaced during Carpenter's professional dance career. Required to wear nude undergarments, she had to dye her hosiery since beige was the standard color for nude back then. Once she left professional dancing, she began landing commercial spots. She took \$3,000 from her savings and launched Nude Barre in 2009. Initially, the company produced hosiery in different shades of nude. Over the years, Carpenter introduced new products to the line, such as bras, underwear and facemasks. Rather than name products after desserts or trees, she wanted the products to reflect the times of the day.



#### (A)Life, Living with HIV

HIV is found in blood, semen (cum), People living with HIV who have pre-seminal fluid (pre-cum), vaginal an undetectable viral load cannot fluid, rectal fluid, and breast milk. pass HIV on through sex. Being HIV spreads when one of these undetectable does not mean your fluids from a person who has HIV HIV enters the body of a person who undetectable viral load does mean does not. Some of the ways this can that there is not enough HIV in happen are through anal, oral, or your body fluids to pass HIV on vaginal sex, needles, syringes, or during sex. In other words, you other injection pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, blood spread during deep kissing or a sexual partner is zero. People oral sex (extremely rare). According also become detectable when they to the CDC, about 90% of new HIV infections result from sexual activity. or take them only partially. It may That is why it is important to know take between a week to several your chances of getting HIV from weeks different activities. Then you can treatment for HIV to become informed choices protecting yourself. The fact is, HIV is most often spread during sex. The body go up to detectable levels activities with the highest risk for and should get tested frequently. HIV infection are: Receptive anal sex A person's viral load is considered (bottoming), insertive anal (topping), receptive vaginal sex, viral insertive vaginal sex. You should also undetectable know that other factors can increase months your chance of getting HIV: Having undetectable test result. This unprotected sex, having many sex means that most people will need partners, injection drug use, sexually to be on treatment for 7 to 12 transmitted infections (STIs). Some months to have a STI's make it easier for HIV to infect undetectable viral load. you. There are now more ways than ever to protect yourself and help stop the virus in today's world. Current research shows that taking HIV treatment every day after becoming HIV positive helps people get to and stay undetectable which prevents the spread of HIV to others through sex (Talk to a healthcare provider). HIV is still in the body, and being undetectable doesn't prevent other sexually transmitted infections. So stick with treatment, use condoms, and practice safer sex.An undetectable viral load is where antiretroviral treatment (ART) has reduced your HIV to such small quantities that it can no longer be

detected by standard blood tests.

is cured. Having equipment, are not infectious. For as long as or your viral load stays undetectable, small amounts of your chance of passing on HIV to stop taking their HIV medications after stopping about detectable again, but people will see the levels of virus in their sex "durably undetectable" when all load test results for at least six after their first





#### Pre-exposure prophylaxis (or PrEP) is medicine taken to prevent getting HIV. PrEP is highly effective for preventing HIV when taken as prescribed. PrEP reduces the risk of getting HIV from sex by about 99%. PrEP reduces the risk of getting HIV from injection drug use by at least 74%. For anal sex, it takes at least seven days of daily use for PrEP to reach full effectiveness. For vaginal sex, it takes at least twenty days of daily use. It isn't a pill you have to take forever. You get to decide when to start and stop PrEP. Just remember that if you don't take it regularly, you aren't as safe. Once you've started taking PrEP, you should stay on it for at least a month after you were last exposed to HIV. Some studies suggest that if you take PrEP every day, it reaches its maximum protection in blood at 20 days, in rectal tissue at about 7 days, and in vaginal tissues at about 20 days. Talk to your health care provider about when PrEP might be effective for

you.

#### AWARENESS...

#### PEP & PREP

Source: helpstopthevirus.com

If you do not have HIV, you should know about post-exposure prophylaxis. PEP for short. It involves taking medicine *after* contact with HIV. Treatment must begin within 72 hours. PEP is only available from a healthcare provider, emergency room, urgent care clinic, or HIV clinic. It is not 100% effective. And follow-up HIV testing is required. If you think you have been exposed to HIV, you must see a healthcare provider or go to a clinic or emergency room right away. PEP involves a 4-week course of HIV treatment that helps prevent someone from HIV infection. PEP works by stopping the virus from replicating after recent exposure. The cells originally infected with HIV die naturally within a short period of time, reducing the likelihood for HIV to establish itself in the body. If you are taking PEP you could experience some unpleasant side-effects such as feeling sick, being sick, diarrhoea, tiredness, and generally feeling unwell. The drugs used in a course of PEP today are less likely to cause side-effects than those used in the past.





#### Education

#### **Black Inventors**

Source: biography.com





#### Thomas L. Jennings

**Dry Cleaning** 

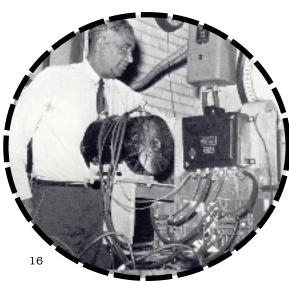
The aforementioned first African American U.S. patent recipient was working as a tailor and businessman in New York City when he invented a process for dry-cleaning delicate clothing known as "dry-scouring." Jennings applied for a patent in 1820 and received his history-making approval the following year. With the money he earned from his invention, the formerly enslaved person both donated to abolitionist causes and even reportedly freed his stillenslaved family members.

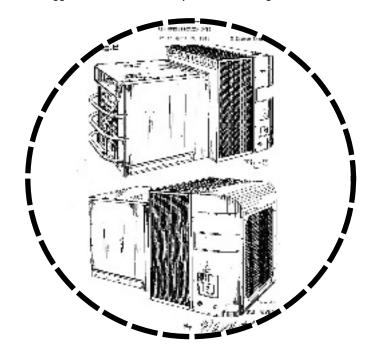


#### Frederick McKinley

**Automatic Refrigeration** 

Before Frederick McKinley Jones developed the automatic refrigeration equipment used in long-haul trucks transporting perishables in the late 1940s, the only way to keep food cold en route to delivery destinations was by using ice. Thanks to his invention, grocery stores were able to buy and sell products (many of which you probably purchase regularly) from far distances without the risk of them spoiling during transport. Jones' technology was also used to transport blood during World War II.





#### **Alexander Miles**

#### **Automatic Elevator Doors**

Anyone who's ridden modern elevators has Alexander Miles to thank for the stair alternative's automatic doors. Prior to his design's 1867 patent, riders had to manually open and close two sets of doors when entering and exiting elevator cars. If a passenger happened to forget to close one of the doors, subsequent elevator riders risked a potentially fatal fall down the elevator shaft. Because, as the adage goes, necessity is the mother of invention, Miles created a mechanism that forced both elevator doors to close simultaneously, thus preventing dangerous accidents.



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