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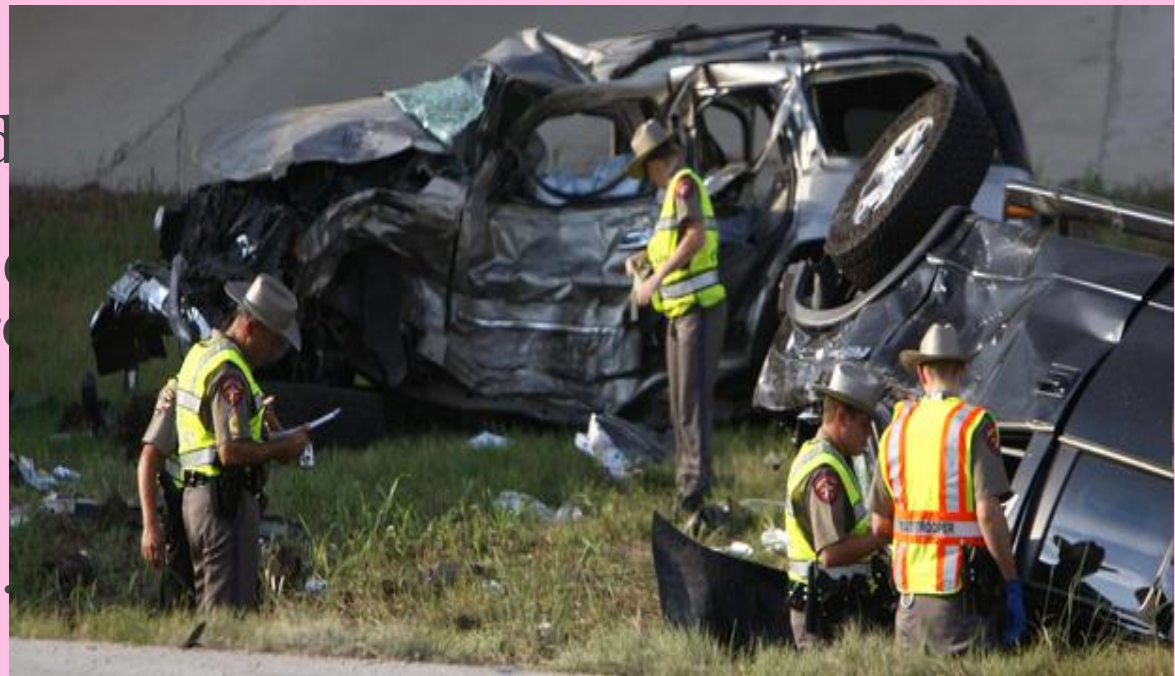


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Margaret D. Crites

Thursday, December 20, 2001

Dianne "Cissy" Crites, a resident of Essex, passed away yesterday near Essex, at the age of 6. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time and will be announced later by the Rainey Funeral Home in Dexter.



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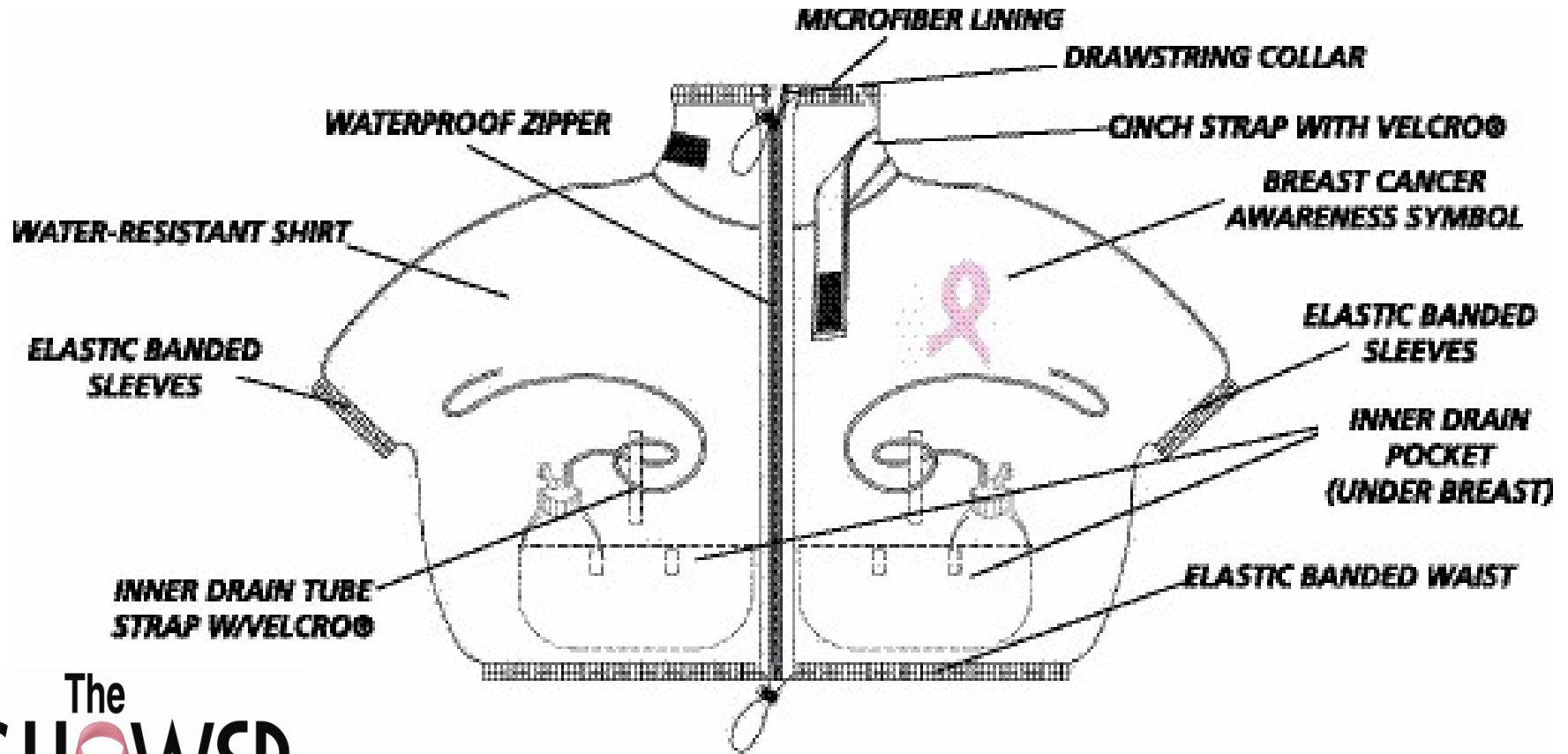
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Within a few weeks of Mastectomy we had designed The SHOWER SHIRT® schematic



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Within a few more weeks the first SHOWER SHIRT® prototype had been created





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'Shower Shirt' Takes Innovation Prize, Enables Women To Shower After Mastectomy

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Sometimes a simple, low-tech device can improve the quality of patients' lives. The [Shower Shirt](#), designed so that women can safely shower after mastectomy, is a perfect example. The device took its inventor, Lisa Crites of Cocoa Beach Florida, to second place at the U.S. Small Business Association's 2015 [InnovateHER Challenge](#) in Washington DC. The contest was sponsored by Microsoft.

For some women who have mastectomy, one of the most unpleasant aspects is not being able to shower. With chest bandages and tubes draining fluid, a good wash-up can be refreshing. But many breast surgeons advise patients not to let non-sterile water run directly over the drains sites. Typically, the flexible tubes with bulbous endings are in place for one to three weeks. To get around this restriction, women wear large-sized trash bags cut with holes to accommodate the head and arms. The "garbage bag method" has been ongoing for decades.

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Lisa F. Crites: The inventor of The SHOWER SHIRT is a former Broadcast Journalist with nearly 25 years in Corp. Healthcare Communications & Media Strategy.

Call it clairvoyance or pure coincidence, but from the age of 15, I was confident I would face at least two extreme traumas in my life; my mother would die tragically and I, at some point, would be diagnosed with breast cancer. During my teen years, sometimes I would wake up in hysterics that my mom perished in a car crash, only until I realized it was a dream. In my early 30s, and two weeks after getting married, I did lose my mother in a car accident. She was ejected from her vehicle and pronounced dead on scene. Though I always felt this would happen, one can never prepare for such a traumatic incident. I had no control over the accident, her death, or my emotions from the loss. I was obviously in shock and exponentially sank into a severe depression.

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Business and the Burqa: Businesswoman's take on Dubai

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Lisa Crites, inventor of a product called The Shower Shirt, recently returned from the United Arab Emirates where she met with other Arab businesswomen. She spoke with them about life as an entrepreneur in a Muslim country and about what opportunities are available to them vs. westernized countries like the United States.

(Photo: Provided by Lisa Crites)

As my husband and I were packing for a business trip to Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) I saw a CNN report stating women were banned from a Saudi Arabian, Starbucks, with a sign, “PLEASE NO ENTRY FOR LADIES - SEND YOUR DRIVER TO ORDER THANK YOU.” With that, we quickly wondered if going to Dubai was the right decision. I had been asked to attend the World Government Summit part of the Edge of Government exhibit as an international Patient Innovation Award winner for my mastectomy garment, The SHOWER SHIRT®.

The invitation came directly from the Dubai Prime Minister's office, His Highness Sheik Mohammad Bin Rashid Center for Government Innovations. Obviously excited about the opportunity to present to dignitaries across the globe, and knowing President Obama would be speaking briefly at the Summit, my husband and I still had anxiety about traveling to the Middle East. Before the Summit began, I saw a brief video regarding ‘Women in Business in the Arab Countries.’ My thought, how can women go into business in the Arab world when they can't even go into Starbucks?

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