

# Marianne's Room

## *A Lasting Tribute to Marianne Zirkle*

Volunteerism: the eagerness to help, the willingness to give, the sincere concern for others. Marianne Zirkle embodied the spirit of volunteerism. Her cheerful generosity prevailed even as she courageously battled cancer and its complications. After her untimely death at age 39, family and friends honored Marianne's life with their generous donations to the Women's Committee of Martha Jefferson Hospital. Through careful consideration, a lasting tribute to Marianne was created from these considerations... "Marianne's Room".



With the help of family and friends, a previously small, barren room was transformed into a comfortable area with a very specific mission; to help cancer patients deal with hair loss due to chemotherapy treatments. Specially ordered wigs, hats, and scarves are offered free of charge to any patient interested in utilizing this service. Vicky Brunjes, The Cancer Resource Center Coordinator, is available to assist patients with wig and hat selection as well as offer valuable information about hair loss from chemotherapy.



*Vicky Brunjes, Cancer Resource Center Coordinator assists a client in Marianne's Room.*

### **Marianne's Room**

Since its creation in 2002, Marianne's Room has become a very important resource center for women diagnosed with cancer. The room provides wigs, scarves, special "Chemo Caps", soft post-operative prostheses requested by mastectomy patients, support for Fly Casting Past Breast Cancer, resource materials, voucher support and other services to assist women through their cancer treatment at Martha Jefferson Hospital.

Through various fundraising efforts such as Martha's Market and In the Pink Tennis Tournament, The Women's Committee of Martha Jefferson Hospital is honored to provide continual funding for this program.

If you would like more information on how to support Marianne's Room, contact the Martha Jefferson Hospital Foundation at (434) 982-8258 or visit [www.mjhfoundation.org](http://www.mjhfoundation.org).



Marianne's Room is located on the 3rd floor  
of the Cardwell Center in Martha Jefferson Hospital.  
For further information on Marianne's Room, contact Vicky Brunjes,  
Cancer Resource Center Coordinator at 434-654-8401.

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