



## Happy anniversary!

### Breast cancer support group marks 10 years

At first, the meeting appeared to be just the normal monthly get-together with warm hellos, smiling faces, and a guest speaker. But the April meeting of the Columbia Regional Breast Center's support group, "I Understand," marked their 10-year anniversary!

Ruth Melvin, manager of Columbia Regional Breast Center, saw the need for women to share and support each other through this difficult time, so she created the support group. From the first meeting, it was a haven for women, with about 25 in attendance. This number has remained fairly consistent during the last 10 years. The ladies find hope, friendship, and education at each meeting.

For more information on the "I Understand" support group, call **(360) 414-2707**.