On Saturday, 23 February 2013, Southeastern Illinois College hosted its first-ever Pink Out Game. The event was the brainchild of Wendy Harris, cosmetology instructor. Activities were coordinated by Harris and Jeremy Irlbeck, athletic director.

Pink Out t-shirts sold for $10 which included free admission to the basketball games. Shirts were available from Integrated Health, Dream Baskets, Unique Boutique, Hair Tech, the Cosmetology Club, and the Nursing Club. All money raised went to Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

Raffles were held to win either a chair and large basket of items donated by local businesses or a custom-made fire pit donated by Mark Thomas and the SIC Welding Program.

Festivities began at 5:00 pm. Events were organized around the men’s and women’s basketball games with Shawnee Community College. The women played at 5:30 pm and the men at 7:30 pm.

The SIC Lady Falcons wore Keira Prayer Warriors shirts to honor their 5-year-old adopted water girl who is living with a type of brain tumor called Pilocytic Astrocytoma Optic Glioma. The Lady Falcons defeated the Lady Saints by a score of 84 to 58.

The SIC Falcons wore the SIC Pink Out shirts to support the Susan G. Komen for the Cure program. The Falcons struggled in a loss to the Saints by a score of 40 to 62.

The lobby was command central for the events, including pink hair extensions, face painting, and Pink Out nails provided by the SIC Cosmetology Club.
Everyone was involved in the Pink Out movement:

the ticket sales, the concession workers, the cheerleaders, the fans.

Entertainment was provided throughout the evening. Many thanks are due the Eldorado Alumni Band for their musical performance.

Dance and tumbling shows were performed by Tumble Time Cheer & Fitness in Carmi during half-time of the women’s game and the Falcon Cheerleaders during half-time of the men’s game.
Sincere thanks are extended to the area business that sponsored the first annual Pink Out Game. Your monetary and in-kind donations were greatly appreciated and helped make this event a true success. Thanks are also extended to the SIC college students who volunteered their time and talents to serve a wonderful cause.

Special thanks are also due Dylan Comer for his work at Freddie the Falcon during the evening’s events.

Big winners for the night include: Richard Pyle, winner of the custom-made fire pit and C.H. Allyn, winner of the chair and basket of donated items.

Of course, the biggest winner of the night was Susan G. Komen for the Cure! Over $3200 was raised for the cause.