Doctoral P.E. cut
Program eliminated by IBHE's PQP

By Marc Chase
Administration Reporter

The SIU Board of Trustees decided Thursday to eliminate the doctoral program in physical education at SIUC despite appeals from the program director and students.

In a recommendation titled "Priority, Quality, and Productivity," the Illinois Board of Higher Education recommended in fall of 1993 that SIUC cut doctoral programs in physical education, sociology, and political science. The recommendation was based on the administration of justice and a lack of science degrees in consumer and family development targeted for elimination.

IBHE created the PQP process to eliminate programs that are educationally and economically unfunded. SIUC President John C. Guyon and the University administration recommended to the trustees in June that only the doctoral program in physical education be cut. The trustees complied with Guyon's recommendation.

Guyon was unavailable for comment because he is recuperating from surgery.

Benjamin Shepherd, acting president and vice president for academic affairs and provost, said the administration did not recommend the elimination of the doctoral physical education program due to poor quality.

In order to make up for a lack of state funding, the University needed to eliminate programs and use the funds from the program for more productive programs on campus.

Byerly explained that the program was chosen to be eliminated because it would have the least impact on the University's enrollment. Shepherd said the program had the lowest enrollment of all programs considered for elimination with nine students.

Trustees, such as William Norwood, said the vote to eliminate the program was based on Guyon's "out of an extensive selection process.

The involved input from several groups on campus, such as student government and the Faculty Senate. I have been here too the Board for clarifications, and I don't recall an issue coming before the Board this way before," Norwood said. "It is not our position to position administration decisions."

During the meeting, Ronald Knowlton, chairman of the physical education department, appealed to the trustees to save the program. Knowlton said the quality of the students produced by the program and the employment rate for graduates justified its retention.

"The rate of employment for graduates from the program is 100 percent," Knowlton said. "In regard to the quality of the program, it ranks in the top 21 (doctoral physical education) programs in the United States."

Knowlton said the support the program received from the Graduate Council and the Graduate and Professional Student Council was proof of strong student desire in it.

Patrick Smith, president of the Graduate and Professional Student Council, said GPSC voted to keep the program because its graduates were highly successful in receiving jobs after graduation.

Mark Kochan, student trustee, said his vote to keep the program said he was unhappy the other trustees made elimination decisions.

"I was disappointed with the elimination of the program," Kochan said. "If the program was continued, impetus would need to be taken in enrollment and stature, but the quality was excellent."

Trustees said students who already accepted offers in the program will be allowed to finish their degrees.

By Stephanie Moletti
Police Reporter

SIUC gets a "C" on its crime report card, according to a new book recently released.

"Crime at College: The Student Guide to Personal Safety" is published by Curtis Ostrander, and one chapter assigns 467 college towns a crime rate.

The crime rate ranks each town on the number of crimes for each 10,000 people in the city or county in which the school is located. The figures are from the FBI record file.

SIUC and Carbondale are assigned a crime rate of 6.85, which is considered about average. Jack Dyer, executive director of the University Relations said, he is suspicious of any statistical rating.

"This is more a rating of the community than the University," Dyer said.

James Tweedy, vice president for administration, and Sam Jordan, SIUC police chief, agreed with Dyer.

St. Louis University has the highest crime rate with a score of 148. The lowest crime rate went to the University of Northern Iowa at Cedar Falls with a 1.14.

The authors of the book, Joseph Schwartz and Curtis Ostrander, said the chapter on statistics is not based on campus crime rate and not meant to deter students from attending college ranked on the higher end of the scale, but to give incoming students information to trigger questions.

"The rankings were mean as a beginning point, not an ending," Schwartz said.

"It is meant for students to have the information to go to school and ask what officials are doing to protect them. This empowers them with knowledge."

"The whole idea is to activate the most powerful anti-crime tool we have — the brain," Schwartz said.

Schwartz is a former police reporter from the New York, New York. Co-author, Ostrander was a detective with the Ithaca City Police Department.

The bulk of the book deals with issues such as sexual assault and harassment, a college safety test, personal safety tips, how to find a safe apartment and what not to bring into a college dorm.

"There are strategies from Curtis Ostrander's 20 years on the streets, "Schwartz said.

The book also discusses what to do if victimized and sexual assault victim's rights.

"We define sexual assault and sexual harassment because they are often thought as the same, but are very different," Schwartz said.

Most of the issues brought up in the book are illustrated with actual events, Schwartz said.

"Hopefully the book will get students informed on their rights and personal safety and crime at college," Schwartz said.

Schwartz said he and Ostrander attempted to make the book informal and positive.

"We don't preach, we show," he said.

"Once you're aware, the battle is won."

The book is available in bookstores beginning this week.

By Stephanie Moletti
Police Reporter

Hot water spots: Canoeing, cliff diving, jetskiing make waves

—Story on page 3

Senior student dies in Australia; friends remember fun times

—Story on page 3

Opinion

—See page 4

Sports

—See page 6

Classified

—See page 6

SIUC far below national average in women's basketball attendance; offers summer scheduling, weather big drawback in crowds

—Story on page 8
U.N. INSPECTORS NOW MONITOR IN IRAQ

BAQHDAD, Iraq — The cracking radios and sophisticated communications gear that long filled a 17th-floor room at the Sherman Hôtel Hotel here will soon be gone, signaling a new stage of work for U.N. weapons inspectors who first came to Iraq three years ago. The transfer of this equipment out of the inspectors' makeshift operations room at the hotel into a new "monitoring and verification" facility that is now being building could herald a major step toward a possible lifting of the U.N. ban on oil sales by Iraq.

RWANDAN REBELS PROMISE TO SHARE POWER

KIGALI, Rwanda — Rwanda’s Tutsi-led rebel forces, now in control of this basic-scared capital and poised for total victory after three months of crushing military victories, have vowed to share power with the Hutu tribal majority to spare this Central African nation further carnage. The pledge, outlined Monday, is a sign that the 100-day old RPF (Rebel Patriotic Front) has changed its strategy to move from open rebellion to trying to secure power in this predominantly Hutu nation.

MORE PEOPLE HAVING RELIGIOUS VISIONS

Los Angeles Times — Religious leaders and religious scholars have reached a tentative merger agreement that would create one of the nation’s largest department store chains, industry sources said Wednesday. Although final details have yet to be worked out, the board of directors of New York-based Macy’s, which owns Bloomingdale’s department stores, is scheduled to meet Thursday to review the merger agreement.

MACY, FEDERATED AGREE TO MERGER ACCORD

Los Angeles Times — Retailing giants R.H. Macy & Co. and Federated Department Stores have reached a tentative merger agreement that would create one of the nation’s largest department store chains, industry sources said Wednesday. Although final details have yet to be worked out, the board of directors of New York-based Macy’s, which owns Bloomingdale’s department stores, is scheduled to meet Thursday to review the merger agreement.

Correction/Clarifications

SIU peaches are being sold in front of the Agriculture Building on campus until they are gone. Peaches are being sold Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The page 1 photo caption for the July 14 Daily Egyptian did not state this.

The Gospel concert Friday (July 15) is not the first one on campus, as was stated in a July 14 Daily Egyptian story on the closing of the Student Center. The concert given to the D.E.’s “Praze Fest ’93” took place in September and was sponsored by the Black Student Ministry.

The reference in the July 14 D.E. said $1.2 billion was appropriated for the study of the Unity Point School bypass. It should have said $12.2 billion.

The Daily Egyptian regrets these errors.
SIUC student killed in travelling accident

Obituary

By Diane Dave
Special Assignment Reporter

To SIUC students and faculty, Angeles Dawn Childers, “Angie” to her friends, was friendly, outgoing and always had a pleasant outlook. This weekend, friends and faculty will say goodbye to Childers, 21, a senior in management from Marion, who was killed in a traffic accident on July 15.

Childers had been participating in a six-week study abroad program in Australia. She was a bright, outgoing and upbeat person who was an asset to student affairs, according to Linda Kreider, chief academic advisor who worked with Childers in the student affairs office for the College of Business Administration.

Kreider said Childers was walking from a shopping mall with 18 other people in the program when she and Carleen Calderaro, a student from the University of Connecticut in the clothing section, described her as a happy person who always made people feel good.

“Angie was a happy person who always made people feel good. She would do whatever she could to help somebody,” she said.

A funeral service for Childers will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Aly Funeral Home in Vienna. Visitation will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to the Angie Childers Memorial Fund, in care of Aly Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorial Services will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

The accident occurred at 6:30 a.m., which is about 5 a.m. Illinois time, according to Louise Kreider, president of the University of Illinois Animal and Plant Affairs Council at Beloit College in Wisconsin, which sponsored the program along with Australia's Fort Collins, Colorado.

Kreider said Childers was walking from a shopping mall with 18 other people in the program when she and Carleen Calderaro, a student from the University of Connecticut in the clothing section, described her as a happy person who always made people feel good.

“Angie was a happy person who always made people feel good. She would do whatever she could to help somebody,” she said.

A funeral service for Childers will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Aly Funeral Home in Vienna. Visitation will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to the Angie Childers Memorial Fund, in care of Aly Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorial Services will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

SIUC student killed in travelling accident

Obituary

By Diane Dave
Special Assignment Reporter

To SIUC students and faculty, Angeles Dawn Childers, “Angie” to her friends, was friendly, outgoing and always had a pleasant outlook. This weekend, friends and faculty will say goodbye to Childers, 21, a senior in management from Marion, who was killed in a traffic accident on July 15.

Childers had been participating in a six-week study abroad program in Australia. She was a bright, outgoing and upbeat person who was an asset to student affairs, according to Linda Kreider, chief academic advisor who worked with Childers in the student affairs office for the College of Business Administration.

Kreider said Childers was walking from a shopping mall with 18 other people in the program when she and Carleen Calderaro, a student from the University of Connecticut in the clothing section, described her as a happy person who always made people feel good.

“Angie was a happy person who always made people feel good. She would do whatever she could to help somebody,” she said.

A funeral service for Childers will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Aly Funeral Home in Vienna. Visitation will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to the Angie Childers Memorial Fund, in care of Aly Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorial Services will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

The accident occurred at 6:30 a.m., which is about 5 a.m. Illinois time, according to Louise Kreider, president of the University of Illinois Animal and Plant Affairs Council at Beloit College in Wisconsin, which sponsored the program along with Australia's Fort Collins, Colorado.

Kreider said Childers was walking from a shopping mall with 18 other people in the program when she and Carleen Calderaro, a student from the University of Connecticut in the clothing section, described her as a happy person who always made people feel good.

“Angie was a happy person who always made people feel good. She would do whatever she could to help somebody,” she said.

A funeral service for Childers will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Aly Funeral Home in Vienna. Visitation will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to the Angie Childers Memorial Fund, in care of Aly Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorial Services will be held 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.
Opinion

Colombia's World Cup losses: Player Escobar, national honor

By James Reston Jr.

Pity poor Colombia. The World Cup was supposed to be that country's giant leap forward into world respect.

With the tragic murder of its star-crossed soccer player, Andres Escobar, in Medellin July 2, after its surprising collapse in the tournament, fate had willed that termed country once again. It shows what can happen when a nation invests merit athletes with its national honor and its national hope. Colombia had the most elegant of stories in this year's World Cup. From the splashy Pele declared last November that Colombia was the best in the world. The World Cup draw (where Colombia fell into the apparently easy group of the United States, Honduras, and Switzerland) took place in Las Vegas, only a few weeks after the brutal killing of the drug kingpin, Pablo Escobar (no relation to Andres). If the death of Pablo Escobar was the last act in the 10-year agony of making the Medellin cartel, it is a huge significance for Colombia. The end of a terrible era was proclaimed.

The new era was supposed to begin with the world-class antity of its athletes. Soccer was to be the next act in national self-respect and international redemption. In these unlikely ambassadors, the "president" of Colombia saw a way to change the horned image of its country in the United States. For years, well-meaning Colombians had bradured under the stereotypes: cocaine supplier to the world, provider of American youth, home to the world's most deluded by advance sheets that cupholders of the Medellin cartel were changing his country's image. The Colombians. Then came the Nobel laureate of Colombia, soccer and music are the most positive and unifying forces in Colombian culture.

"Colombia will be judged by the goals it scores," Gabriel Garcia Marquez told me in January in Cartagena, when I asked about the stereotypes. "I am one of the best-selling and most-studied authors in the United States. Nobody says, 'I won't buy one of his books because he comes from that drug-trafficking country.'"

He imagined Colombia's victory in the World Cup would occasion a celebration not unlike the one given for him in Stockholm when he won the Nobel Prize.

And the president of Colombia, Cesar Gaviria, spoke of how economic progress, the discovery of oil in the hinterland, the success against the Medellin cartel were changing his country's image.

With some pride, he noted that kidnappings in Medellin, a city that had dropped from five to three a day. "We have worked hard to create a more balanced view of Colombia in the United States," the president told me in Bogota. "We see this World Cup event as an opportunity to reach the average American whom we have not been able to reach until now."

With its weighty mission to achieve international respect and delayed by advance sheets that proclaimed the Colombians the most skilled players in the world, the Colombia team came to America and forgot to play. Their loss to a pesky, Korean team was no disgrace, but the defeat seemed to disembour enhance the Colombians. Their true national humiliation: the 2-1 loss to the United States.

After its balloon burst, the murder of Andres Escobar becomes just another episode of random violence in Colombia. Perhaps high-fliers in the Medellin cartel entered the killing, perhaps it happened in a spontaneous bar argument. It hardly seems so to Americans, the murder simply confirms stereotypes. But the thousands of drug dealers like Escobar's body in a Medellin sports coliseum this past weekend were grieving for themselves as much as for a soccer star. They dream of change. They believed in the magic of sport to transform a society where politicians have failed. But their hopes for a quick deliverance from their harsh social realities rested too much upon the shoulders of their athletes.

Finally, Escobar and Andres Escobar, Solid players sometimes make mistakes. Star players do. Upstart steps forward. Soccer is a wonderful game, but don't bet your national honor on it. Sometimes in life, we make the national game a leisurely pastime rather than a passion of love and sudden death.
## Classified Display Advertising

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Minimum Ad Size</th>
<th>1 column inch per day</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Minimum Rate</td>
<td>$8.05 per column inch per day</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Minimum Ad Size:** 3 lines, 30 characters (based on consecutive running dates)

**Minimum Rate:**
- 1 day: $8.90 per line per day
- 2 days: $7.50 per line per day
- 3 days: $6.50 per line per day
- 4 days: $5.20 per line per day
- 5 days: $4.10 per line per day

**Calendar Policy:**
- The Daily Egyptian reserves the right to refuse any advertisement without notice and may discontinue an advertisement at any time.
- Calendar items are due two days before publication. The item must include event, date, place and sponsor of the event. The list will be printed once.

**Ads are published in black and white.**

**For Sale**

### Auto
- [91] **MIKE RENTS' 3, 000, 000 miles, 1970 Buick Gran Sport, 350 cu. in., auto, air, power, very good condition. $4,990. 549-3529.
- [92] **OLDER AND BETTER CUSTOMS!** 1990 Ford F250, 46,000 miles, 4x4, auto, cruise, air, power, very good condition. $8,500. 549-3529.
- [93] **BEAUTIFUL 1992 MERCURY M Marquis, 1 owner, 20,000 miles, sport, air, cruise, very nice, $2,995. 549-3529.
- [94] **1991 FORD CONTOUR, 46,000 miles, good condition, $2,500. CALL 529-3849.
- [95] **535/4 1978 PONTIAC GTO, 1 owner, 65,000 miles, air, power, very nice condition. $3,500. 549-3529.
- [96] **MIKE RENTS' 3, 000,000 miles, 1970 Buick Gran Sport, 350 cu. in., auto, air, power, very good condition. $4,990. 549-3529.
- [97] **HONDA ACCORD 4 dr, 90,000 miles, very dependable. $750. 549-8467.
- [98] **MAZDA 626 CLASSIC, 4 dr, air, AC, cruise, power, auto, very good condition. $4,990. 549-3529.
- [99] **PORTFOLIO TOYOTA PICKUP, 4 dr, 4x4, cruise, air, power, very good condition. $4,990. 549-3529.
- [100] **100% SATISFACTION GUARANTEED!** 1985 MAZDA RX-7, low miles, 90,000, 2 door, 4 cylinder, 5 speed. $5,995. 549-3529.
- [101] **EVERYTHING! AUTO 1982 HONDA CIVIC, 1 owner, low miles, 5 speed, perfect, $1,200. CALL 529-3849.
- [102] **1980 CHEVY STEP SIDE, 5 dr, 2 door, low miles, 4 speed. $2,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [103] **1986 FORD T-BIRD, 1 owner, low miles, 5 speed, Automatic. $5,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [104] **1992 HONDA ACCORD, 5 dr, air, cruise, power, 6 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. 549-3529.
- [105] **1985 HONDA CIVIC, 5 dr, 1 owner, low miles, 5 speed, automatic. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [106] **1980 FORD MUSTANG II, 2 door, air, power, nice condition. $2,500. CALL 529-3849.
- [107] **1985 HONDA ACCORD, 4 dr, air, cruise, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [108] **1985 HONDA CIVIC, 5 dr, 1 owner, low miles, 5 speed, automatic. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [109] **1980 HONDA ACCORD, 4 dr, air, cruise, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [111] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [112] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [113] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [114] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [115] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [116] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [117] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [118] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [119] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [120] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [121] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [122] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [123] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [124] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [125] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
- [126] **1980 CHEVY CAMARO, 2 door, air, power, 5 speed, excellent condition. $3,995. CALL 529-3849.
CARBONDALE. NICE 2 APARTMENTS, CONDOS & HOUSES SIU sopho eel lg 2 bd utilities iid.


GRAD STUDENTS PEF, by all. NICE 1 BDRM. ON TOWN SQUARE, near SIU. Utilities included. Call 549-4322.

ONE BEDROOMS, Maize, $200/mo. 549-5925. Apartment 2.7 blocks from campus. Must be neat & clean. Ref. req. Call 687-4577 alter 4 or leave message.

NICE STUDIO APARTMENT, 11 E. Hester, 1/2 bd, utilities included, W/D, all w/d. $200/month. No pets. Phones accepted.

NEW 1 BDRM, E. Hester, 1/2 bd, utilities included, W/D. $200/month. No pets. Phone accepted.

NEW 2 BDRM. WAI. Includes utilities, parking and laundry, close to campus. $225/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 1 BDRM. (with small yard). 806 W. College. $250/month. Utilities included. 3 blocks from campus. No pets. Phone accepted.


NEW 2 BDRM. 705 S. Hays. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $300/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 1-3 BDRM. 907 W. Cherry Court. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $350-500/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 1 BDRM. 500 W. Cherry Court. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $225-250/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 2 BDRM. 507 S. Springer. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $250-275/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 1 BDRM. 509 S. Springer. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $250/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

ONE AND TWO BDRM. 407 W. Cherry Court. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $235 and up. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.


NEW 1 BDRM. 404 S. &h•3. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $200/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 1 BDRM. 710 W. College. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $250/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.


NEW 2 BDRM. 509 S. Hays. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $300/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NICE large 3 bdrm, 609 N. Allyn, 1st floor, gas heat, utilities included, parking. $350/month. No pets. Phone accepted.

Three Bedroom, 654 S. Logan. Utilities included, parking. 309 $1/mo. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

Two Bedroom, 609 N. Allyn. Utilities included, parking. 259 $1/mo. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

NEW 4 BDRM HOUSE. Utilities included, parking. Close to campus, all w/d. $475/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

ONE BEDROOMS, Maize, $200/mo. 549-5925. Apartment 2.7 blocks from campus. Must be neat & clean. Ref. req. Phone 687-4577 alter 4 or leave message.

NEAR CAMPUS. 3 bdrm, w/d, new, new, new, very quiet. $330 neg. 614W.

SINGLE STUDENT HOUSING

3 BDRM HOUSE, S1300 1st. Beautifully furnished, close to downtown Carbondale. Utilities included, parking. $350/month. Ref. req. Phone 549-4000.

ONE BEDROOMS, Maize, $200/mo. 549-5925. Apartment 2.7 blocks from campus. Must be neat & clean. Ref. req. Phone 687-4577 alter 4 or leave message.

The Daily Egyptian is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
Sports

Women's average attendance drops

By Bill Kugelberg
Sports Reporter

A report recently released by the NCAA shows SIUC is far below the national average in attendance at Women's Missouri Valley Conference schools in drawing fans to women's basketball games.

During the 1993-94 season, an average of 605 fans attended 13 home games at the Arena. Thirty-six percent was up from the '92-'93 season when the team averaged 531 fans per game, even though SIUC averaged 839 fans per game when an average of 839 fans attended each contest.

Charlotte West, SIUC's associate athletic director, said getting people to attend women's games is about the most frustrating problem she has encountered in her professional career.

"With the quality of women's teams we have had and the lack of people who come out, I just don't know what to do," she said. "We have lowered the prices embarrassingly low and had a lot of giveaways. Maybe it is the attitude that people think if something is cheap, then it is not worth a lot of money to keep the prices low so people will come out.

Tom Davis, marketing and promotions coordinator for Saluki athletics, said there are many reasons why the women's team doesn't attract many fans.

"There are a variety of things that go into having many people come out to watch the games. I can't give one specific reason," he said. "A lot of it has to do with when the games are scheduled. Also, there were two home games that were held after the last in-stadium football game.

DeNoon said is probably a good idea.

"I think we will do it this year. I've pledged to coach (Cindy) Scott that we are going to get more people at the games to watch the team this year. It's a matter of building momentum and I think we just need to get that well going to start things off."