Achtem Breaks Backstroke Record; Team Finishes 8th

By Ognen J. Nastov

The men’s swimming and diving team ended its season by placing a solid eighth at the New England Championships held on Feb. 27-29 at Lebanon, Maine. The Engineers, with 13 swimmers and no divers, scored a total of 321.5 points. There were about 20 teams at the champi-
onship.

While placing eighth, our team showed a great deal of improve-
ment over the season. Many of the graduates, who were not swimmers this year, participated as well, and performed as one of the highest-
scoring teams at the Championsh-
ships,” said head coach John Benedick.

Our team had a number of new people, and these championships gave them a valuable experience in swimming facilities and events.

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**BSU/CC Captures IM-A league Basketball Title**

By Thomas Kettler

The intramural IM-A league basketball sea-
son came to an exciting close Sunday as the Black jacks defeated the Macks, 84-72, to dominate the Old Timers, 53-45.

The Old Timers, an independent team of mostly alumni, had been undated until this point, which included the determination of defending champions Sigma Alpha Epsilon in the semifinals.

The IM sports — including teams from living groups, departments, and student activ-
ties — divided into four leagues.

The finals were contested in 7-minute quarters, instead of the usual 12-minute halves. Each of the four quarters was packed with action.

The Mack started out trouble making baskets, and this allowed the Old Timers to stay out in front. However, the Macks made some adjustments, and ran up an early 11-2 lead. The Old Timers dominated the second quarter, with their pressing defense which slowed the game down, capturing a 11-2 lead. The Old Timers responded with a barrage of crosses and uppercuts.

Both teams stepped up their level of play in the second half. Midway through the third quarter, the score was 32-28 with the Old Timers leading by four. The Macks went on a 10-0 run, aided by valuable goals by Mike Aponte ‘94.

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