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Colby and Saint Francis girls battle for the ball in last year's game. Colby's basketball games at Saint Francis scheduled today have been rescheduled to Feb. 22, 2007, because of poor weather. Colby's games with Hays Tuesday were postponed. Colby returns to action after the holidays Jan. 2 at Thomas Moore Prep in Hays.

Blizzard postpones Suns-Nuggets

DENVER (AP) — First, a whirlwind. Next, a blizzard.

Less than 24 hours after their blockbuster deal to acquire Allen Iverson, the Denver Nuggets postponed their game Wednesday night against Phoenix because of a snowstorm that snarled traffic, closed the airport and forced the governor to declare a state of emergency.

No makeup date had immediately been set.

With harsh wind blowing the 12-plus inches of snow expected to hit Denver, it was no night for venturing out to the Pepsi Center, and nobody benefited more than the Nuggets.

Denver faced the prospect of playing the Suns, who are on a 15-game winning streak, without Carmelo Anthony and J.R. Smith (suspended), Andre Miller and Joe Smith (traded), or Iverson, who hadn't yet made it to town because of weather and other logistics.

Nuggets spokesman Eric Sebastian said the team still wasn't sure when "The Answer" would finally arrive.

Denver's next game is Friday night at home against Sacramento. The storm was expected to last into Thursday, when Denver International Airport will be trying to play catch-up in the wake of about 1,000 flight cancellations.

Those issues aside, the NBA and

Nuggets agreed to postpone the game for safety reasons. It is, however, unusual for the league to call off a game when both teams and the officials are all in town, as was the case Wednesday night. The Suns arrived early Wednesday morning after a home win over Toronto.

"It's extremely rare," Nuggets vice president of basketball operations Mark Warkentien said. "The league is very good at listening. We had a lot of conversations during the day. We had people right and left talking with state agencies. The determination was that to put 1,000 cars on the road would be unsafe and irresponsible. After all the input, the league made a prudent and proper decision."

While the timing of Iverson's arrival was still in limbo, the seven-time All-Star reiterated how excited he was to be with the Nuggets in an interview on ESPN.

"I'm happy the whole process is over," he said, doing the interview wearing an old-school Nuggets cap embroidered with a pickax. "I'm more happy with the situation I was put in. I was put in a situation where I can succeed."

Three hours before the scheduled tip-off, workers were buzzing around the arena preparing for the game, but a big cheer could be heard in the hallways when official word came that the game was off.

Nuggets fans are likely pleased, as well.

When word of the Iverson trade went down Tuesday, lines formed outside the ticket office at the Pepsi Center.

The Nuggets reported selling 340 season tickets within a half-hour of the announcement and several hundred for the Suns game, though it's probable many would have had to eat their tickets had the game been played Wednesday night.

Warkentien said a decision on the rescheduling would be made at a later date.

"It made it a little easier that it was Phoenix and not Miami or Philadelphia," he said. "It's only a 1 1/2-hour flight."

Sebastian said team records show this was the first Denver home game postponed since April 20, 1999, when the Nuggets scrubbed a game against Portland in the aftermath of the Columbine High School slayings.

The rescheduling has the potential to push back Anthony's return date. He received a 15-game suspension for his role in last weekend's brawl against the Knicks.

He had been scheduled to be back Jan. 20 in Houston, though this could push that back two days, to a Jan. 22 game at home against Memphis.

SportsBriefs

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Larry Brown may be back with the 76ers now that Allen Iverson is gone.

Already acting as an unofficial adviser to the Philadelphia 76ers and team president Billy King, Brown could formally return to the organization he led to the 2001 NBA Finals.

Brown, who had a contentious relationship with Iverson during his six seasons as Philly's coach, moved back to the area after he was fired by the Knicks after one season in New York. King consulted with Brown on the Iverson trade, which ended with the former MVP being dealt to Denver on Tuesday.

BASEBALL
CHICAGO (AP) — A 38-year-old Chicago man was charged with stealing the identities of 27 Lake County residents, and is suspected of stealing the identities of almost 90 baseball players, according to Lake County authorities.

David Dright faces 27 counts of identity theft involving "ordinary people" who live in Lake County. A search of Dright's home Tuesday turned up personal information on retired and current ball players, including Chicago White Sox slugger Jim Thome and New York Mets outfielder Moises Alou.

Dright allegedly went into trash bins outside SFX Baseball Inc., and took the personal information. Evidence was found inside Dright's apartment after another man complained that Dright stole his iden-

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
NEW YORK (AP) — Jim Grobe was chosen as The Associated Press college football coach of the year.

Grobe, in his sixth season at Wake Forest, took the Demon Deacons (11-2) from worst to first in the Atlantic Coast Conference without their starting quarterback and top tailback. Wake Forest set a school record for victories and won the ACC for the first time in 36 years.

The 54-year-old Grobe beat out a strong group of contenders for coach of the year, receiving 39 of 65 votes from the AP Top 25 voters.

Rutgers coach Greg Schiano, who took the once-laughable Scarlet Knights within a victory of the Bowl Championship Series, finished second with 12 votes.

ATLANTA (AP) — Senior quarterback Reggie Ball, who has taken nearly every snap at quarterback for Georgia Tech this season, has been ruled academically ineligible for the Gator Bowl.

Cornerback Kenny Scott is also academically ineligible, the school said.

Backup quarterback Taylor

Bennett would start for Tech against West Virginia in the Gator Bowl on Jan. 1 in Jacksonville, Fla., and Jahi Word-Daniels will take Scott's place at cornerback.

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) — Robb Akey, the defensive coordinator at Washington State, is the new football coach at Idaho.

Akey replaces Erickson, who left earlier this month to accept the coaching job at Arizona State after 10 months in Moscow.

The 40-year-old Akey was an assistant at Washington State since 1998. It's his first head coaching job.

BOXING
LOS ANGELES (AP) — The highly anticipated Oscar De La Hoya-Floyd Mayweather Jr. fight that figures to be one of boxing's richest ever will be held at MGM Grand in Las Vegas on May 5.

The designation of the site by Golden Boy Promotions was made — five weeks after an announcement saying the pair would meet for De La Hoya's 154-pound WBC junior middleweight title in Las Vegas or Los Angeles.

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SATURDAY DECEMBER 23

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	Good Morning Kansas Saturday	Good Morning America (CC)	Good Morning America (CC)	Good Morning America (CC)	That's-Raven	That's-Raven	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	Emperor	Replacements		
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	Today (CC)	Today (CC)	Today (CC)	Today (CC)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Veggie-Tales	Dragon (EI) (CC)	3 2 1 Pen	Babar (EI) (CC)	Jane-Dragon	Jacob Two Two
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	Saturday Early Show (CC)	Saturday Early Show (CC)	Saturday Early Show (CC)	Saturday Early Show (CC)	News	News	News	News	Cake (EI) (CC)	Dance Revolut.	Paid Program	Paid Program
K15CG (2)	Business	Market-Market	Mister Rogers	Thomas-Friends	Jay Jay the Jet	Bob the Builder	Signing Time!	Dragon-TV	Real Moms	Holiday Table	Bake Decorate	Victory Garden
ESPN (28)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (CC)	SportsCenter (Live) (CC)	SportsCenter (Live) (CC)	NFL	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.		
USA (37)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	WWE A.M. Raw (N)	MLG Pro Circuit (CC)	MLG Pro Circuit (CC)	MLG Pro Circuit (CC)	Movie: Black Sheep	(1996) A lovable lout threatens his brother's political ambitions.		
TBS (38)	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Movie: My Dog Skip	*** (2000, Drama) (PA) Frankie Muniz: (CC) (DVS)	Home Improve.	Movie: The Road to El Dorado	***½ (2000, Musical) Voices of Kevin Kline. (CC)	Movie: Jumanji				
WGN (39)	Our Wrld With	People-People	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	
TNT (40)	(5:00) Movie: Dreamcatcher	***½ (2003) Morgan Freeman.	Movie: The MOTHMAN Prophecies	(2002) A reporter investigates strange phenomena in a small town. (CC)	Movie: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	***½ (2003, Fantasy)						
DSC (42)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Our Truck	The Science of Christmas (CC)	More Favorite Toys (CC)	Dirty Jobs New Orleans.	MythBusters (CC)				
A&E (47)	Murder, She Wrote Ever After (CC)	Murder, She Wrote (CC)	Murder, She Wrote (CC)	Biography LeAnn Rimes (CC)	Biography Paris Hilton Paris Hilton. (CC)	Airline (CC)	Airline (CC)	Simmons	Simmons			
HIST (48)	Automobiles Volkswagen Beetle	Generatn	TBA	Heavy Metal Black Hawk: Night Stalker	Mail Call (CC)	Mail Call (CC)	Mega Disasters American Volcano	Modern Marvels Drilling (CC)				
NICK (55)	Grown Up	OddParents	Jimmy Neutron	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	OddParents	Mr. Meaty	Avatar-Last Air	Avatar-Last Air	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom
DISN (56)	The Wiggles	Higglytown	Einsteins	Einsteins	Mickey Mouse	Mickey Mouse	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	Lilo & Stitch	Emperor New
FAM (58)	Movie: Blizzard	** (2003) One of Santa's reindeer teaches a girl about friendship.	Movie: Snow	**½ (2004) A North Pole toy distributor must rescue his reindeer.	Movie: Christmas Do-Over	(2006) A man relives Christmas Day over and over again.						
HALL (60)	Little House on the Prairie (CC)	Little House on the Prairie (CC)	Little House on the Prairie (CC)	Little House on the Prairie (CC)	Movie: Ms. Scrooge	(1997) A cold-spirited woman is taught the meaning of Christmas.	Movie: Jack Frost	** (1998) A deceased dad returns to life as a fun-loving snowman.				

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	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ali Rap (N) (CC)	Ali's Dozen (N) (CC)	Golf: Wendy's Three-Tour Challenge -- Front Nine, Henderson, Nev. (CC)						News	News
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	Jeopardy!	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Gretchen Wilson's Country on Ice Philadelphia. (N) (CC)				Paid Program	Nightly News
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	Ultimate Blackjack Tour (CC)	College Basketball: Kansas. (Live) (CC)	College Basketball: Boston College at	College Basketball: Miami at Louisville. (Live) (CC)	College Basketball: Ohio State at Florida. (Live) (CC)	College Basketball: Ohio State at Florida. (Live) (CC)					Paid Program	CBS News
K15CG (2)	Yankee Shop	This Old House	Ask This Old House	Home-time	Woodwright	Real Simple	Scrapbook	School-Fine Art	Love of Quilting	The Piano Guy Holiday Special (CC)		
ESPN (28)	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	College Basketball: Texas at Tennessee.	Break-down	College Football: New Mexico Bowl -- New Mexico vs. San Jose State. Albuquerque, N.M. (Live) (CC)				
USA (37)	Movie: How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days	** (2003, Romance-Comedy) Kate Hudson. (CC)	Movie: Meet the Parents	*** (2000) A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family. (CC)	Movie: Monk Mr. Monk and the Secret Santa							
TBS (38)	(11:25) Movie: Jumanji	**½ (1995, Fantasy) Robin Williams.	Movie: Hook	*** (1991, Fantasy) Lawyer turns into Peter Pan to save kids from Captain Hook. Dustin Hoffman. (CC)	Movie: Something's Gotta Give	*** (2003) (CC)						
WGN (39)	Cosby Show	Moesha (CC)	Soul Train Patti LaBelle; the Time.	Movie: The Jungle Book: Mowgli's Story	(1998, Adventure) Brandon Baker. (CC)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	American Idol Rewind Audition 3					
TNT (40)	(10:15) Movie: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	***½ (2003, Fantasy) Elijah Wood. (CC)	Movie: The 6th Day	**½ (2000) A helicopter pilot is cloned without his consent. Arnold Schwarzenegger.	Movie: Entrapment	** (1999) (CC)						
DSC (42)	Stunt Junkies: Go Big or Go Home	Extreme Engineering (CC)	Next Wave: Tsunami	Tsunami: Wave of Disaster (CC)	America's Tsunami	America's Tsunami						
A&E (47)	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Find & Design	Move House	Sell This House!	Big Spender	Sell This House!	Sell This House!
HIST (48)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	Engineering an Empire (CC)	American Eats Holiday Food (CC)	Modern Marvels Toys (CC)				
NICK (55)	Cats-cratch	Cats-cratch	The X's (CC)	The X's (CC)	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV	Nick-toons TV
DISN (56)	Movie: The Polar Express	*** (2004, Fantasy) Voices of Tom Hanks. (CC)	American Drgn	American Drgn	Kim Possible	Kim Possible	Proud Family	Proud Family	Emperor New	Zack & Cody		
FAM (58)	Movie: A Mom for Christmas	** (1990, Fantasy) Olivia Newton-John. (CC)	Movie: A Christmas Romance	** (1994, Drama) Olivia Newton-John. (CC)	Movie: Mary Poppins	**** (1964, Musical) Julie Andrews. (CC)						
HALL (60)	Movie: March of the Penguins	***½ (2005) Narrated by Morgan Freeman. (CC)	Movie: A Carol Christmas	(2003, Comedy-Drama) Tori Spelling. (CC)	Movie: Santa Jr	(2002) Santa's fun-loving son learns the true meaning of Christmas.						

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KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	Movie: The Sound of Music	**** (1965, Musical) A governess weds an Austrian widower with seven children. Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer. (CC) (DVS)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC (CC)	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	House Heavy (CC)	Law & Order: SVU		
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC (CC)	NCIS Honor Code (CC)	The Unit Unannounced (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (CC)	News (CC)	Hillbillies	Without a Trace Prodigy (CC)			
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Inside Edition	NCIS Honor Code (CC)	The Unit Unannounced (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (CC)	News (CC)	Hillbillies	Without a Trace Prodigy (CC)				
K15CG (2)	America's Hrli	Kansas Spotlight	Keeping Up Appearances (CC)	The Lawrence Welk Show	Red Green	Summer Wine	Austin City Limits (N) (CC)	Soundstage Martina McBride (CC)				
ESPN (28)	College Football: New Mexico Bowl	College Football: Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl -- Tulsa vs. Utah. Fort Worth, Texas. (Live) (CC)	College Football: Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl -- Tulsa vs. Utah. Fort Worth, Texas. (Live) (CC)	College Football: Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl -- Tulsa vs. Utah. Fort Worth, Texas. (Live) (CC)	College Football: Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl -- Tulsa vs. Utah. Fort Worth, Texas. (Live) (CC)	College Football: Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl -- Tulsa vs. Utah. Fort Worth, Texas. (Live) (CC)	SportsCenter (Live) (CC)	Football Final				
USA (37)	Monk Mr. Monk Meets His Dad (CC)	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	House Heavy (CC)	Law & Order: SVU				
TBS (38)	(4:30) Movie: Something's Gotta Give	*** (2003) (CC)	Movie: Ghost	*** (1990, Fantasy) A murder victim returns to save his beloved fiancée. Patrick Swayze.	Movie: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation	** (1989) Chevy Chase. (CC)	Movie: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation	** (1989) Chevy Chase. (CC)	Movie: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation	** (1989) Chevy Chase. (CC)		
WGN (39)	Funnies Pets	Funnies Pets	Bulls Eye (CC)	NBA Basketball: Charlotte Bobcats at Chicago Bulls. United Center. (Live) (CC)	WGN News	24 Day 1: 6:00AM - 7:00AM (CC)	24 (CC)					
TNT (40)	(5:00) Movie: Entrapment	(1999)	Movie: Ocean's Eleven	*** (2001) A suave ex-con assembles a team to rob a casino vault. (CC)	Movie: Ocean's Eleven	*** (2001) A suave ex-con assembles a team to rob a casino vault. (CC)						
DSC (42)	MythBusters Holiday myths. (CC)	Medical Mavericks (N)	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.	Surgery Saved My Life Back surgeries.
A&E (47)	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)	Flip This House (CC)	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice	American Justice
HIST (48)	Christmas Unwrapped	Vampire Secrets The legend of the vampire. (CC)	Blood Diamonds Sierra Leone. (N) (CC)	Vampire Secrets The legend of the vampire. (CC)								
NICK (55)	OddParents	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Mr. Meaty	Romeo! Sell Out	Full House	Full House	Roseanne	Roseanne	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
DISN (56)	Hannah Montana	That's-Raven	Replacements	American Drgn	Movie: The Polar Express	*** (2004, Fantasy) Voices of Tom Hanks. (CC)	Zack & Cody	That's-Raven	Hannah Montana	Emperor New		
FAM (58)	(4:00) Movie: Mary Poppins	(1964)	Movie: Eloise at Christmastime	** (2003, Comedy) Julie Andrews. (CC)	Movie: Home Alone 3	(1997) A clever 8-year-old boy defends his home from spies.	Movie: Scrooged	*** (1988) (CC)				
HALL (60)	Movie: Single Santa Seeks Mrs. Claus	(2004, Romance-Comedy) Crystal Bernard.	Movie: Meet the Santas	(2005) Steve Guttenberg. (CC)	Movie: Santa Jr	(2002) Santa's fun-loving son learns the true meaning of Christmas.	Movie: Santa Jr	(2002) Santa's fun-loving son learns the true meaning of Christmas.	Movie: Santa Jr	(2002) Santa's fun-loving son learns the true meaning of Christmas.	Movie: Santa Jr	(2002) Santa's fun-loving son learns the true meaning of Christmas.

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