

## Storm cancels sporting events

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WASHINGTON — Except for the twice-delayed Maryland-Wake Forest showdown, the only major sports in the mid-Atlantic region Monday were sledding and snow-shoveling.

A weekend storm that dumped up to 4 feet of snow wiped out many Presidents Day sporting events, including numerous college basketball games and a Washington Wizards game on Michael Jordan's 40th birthday.

The Wizards' holiday matinee against the Toronto Raptors was rescheduled for March 4. The evening game at the MCI Center — No. 7 Pittsburgh at Georgetown — was rescheduled for Tuesday night.

Two other Big East games were called off: Villanova at Seton Hall and Miami at Providence. Other Division I men's basketball postponements included Florida A&M at Howard, South Carolina State at Delaware State, Ohio at Akron, Chattanooga at Virginia Military, Appalachian State at Wofford and East Tennessee State at North Carolina-Greensboro.

Maryland and Wake Forest postponed their first-place Atlantic Coast Conference battle from Sunday night to Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. The tipoff was then moved back to 5 p.m. as school officials worked to properly staff the Comcast

Center and make it safe for the fans.

Wake Forest arrived in College Park on Friday, anticipating the storm, and the officials also were in town. An exception was made to the ACC rule stating that a game should be played if both teams and the officials can make it to the arena.

The storm was the worst to hit the mid-Atlantic and central Appalachian states in seven years. It caused at least 16 deaths and left 49 inches of snow in Maryland's Garrett County in the central Appalachians.

Washington's Reagan National airport was closed Monday. Baltimore-Washington International Airport, which recorded its second-highest snowfall total ever, was attempting to reopen Monday evening. Dulles International Airport managed to keep at least one runway open and had very limited commercial traffic.

Horse racing at Laurel Park in Maryland was postponed Sunday and Monday. Maryland officials were forced to shuffle the two biggest races of the winter meet, the Barbara Fritchie Handicap and the General George Handicap. Both \$200,000 events were moved to Saturday.

The racing card at Philadelphia Park was canceled Sunday and Monday. Aqueduct abandoned Sunday's card after one race and postponed Monday racing. Racing at the New York track was halted Sunday after temperatures dipped to 13 degrees. The \$75,000 Rare Treat, scheduled for Monday, will be run Wednesday.

### Swim

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titles in Big 12 competition last year. Junior sprinter Matt Rose won the men's 100-yard freestyle with a career-best time of 43.71 seconds, while junior swimmer Scott Mueller took the 400-yard individual medley in an A&M school record time of 3:51.11.

Rose is currently ranked No. 11 nationally and first in the Big 12 in the 50-yard freestyle after posting 20.10 seconds against SMU. He also ranks second in the Big 12 in the 100-yard freestyle.

Freshman diver Christian Picard is ranked No. 1 in the one-meter springboard in the Big 12 after receiving a personal best total of 342.00 that marked the second-highest score ever by an Aggie diver. Junior teammate and returning All-American Adam Morgan also posted a career-best total of 348.5 in the one-meter spring-

board and a season best total of 316.27 in the three-meter springboard in the last competition of the regular season.

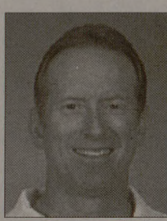
Senior swimmer Patrick Dideum is leading the Big 12 in the 1,000-yard event.

On the women's side, No. 22 A&M hopes to win the conference meet for the first time in school history. Women's Head Coach Steve Bultman has guided the Aggies to three consecutive second place finishes behind perennial Big 12 champion Texas.

The Lady Longhorns are currently ranked No. 4 in the nation and have been building toward another impressive showing at the Big 12 Championships. Texas has defeated No. 5 SMU, No. 6 Arizona, and No. 14 Arizona State within the past month.

Senior diver Summer Mitchell has performed well throughout the dual-meet season. Mitchell leads the Big 12 in the one-meter and three-meter

springboard events with NCAA qualifying scores of 292.13 and 327.45 respectively.



BULTMAN

The Aggie women will rely on the swimming of sophomore Courtney Patterson and freshman Paty Villareal. Patterson leads the Aggie

women in the 100 and 200-yard backstroke events as well as the 200-yard individual medley. Villareal leads the team in the 500, 1,000, and 1,650-yard races.

Led by a majority of underclassmen, the Aggie women are ready to go out and compete for the conference title.

"The girls are ready to step up and do a good job," Bultman said. "This is the exciting time of the year."

The event will run through Saturday in Austin.

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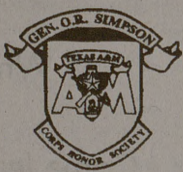
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<p><b>Wednesday Preview</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">"Unprecedented"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rudder Theater</p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">A look at the 2000 Election and Florida Recount.</p>	<p>5:00 International Cultures Shorts Program (Stealing Innocence, Lefthanded, Sophie)</p> <p>6:15 Light Hearted Shorts Program (The Boy Scout, A Chubby Kid, Shake Em Up!, The Big Table, Abracadabra)</p> <p>7:45 Animation Shorts Program (Moo, Something Smells Like Fish, Tales of Mystery, Heir to the Cup, Orange Tree, C'mon Ya'll, Masterpieces, Intelligent Life, Cow, Radio Toad, Lenny the Leaf, Ostrich Egg)</p> <p>8:30 <i>Virgins</i></p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">A comedic tale of one man's attempt to preserve his virginity &amp; not succumb to feminine temptation. (includes 2 shorts: "Le Mime" &amp; "Burning Passion")</p>	<p>Tickets can be bought at Rudder Box Office (979) 845-1234 Visa, Mastercard, Aggie Bucks Accepted</p>
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