

## MARCH CALENDAR

### **Wx. Guide Calendar with Phenomenal Weather Events 2012**

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**March 1, 2010** 2010: Climate change or just warm weather? No snow fell on Minneapolis, MN, today, or any other day this month-making this the 1<sup>st</sup> snowless march of record (approximately 10 inches usually falls). The last measurable snow fell on 2/23, breaking the previous record of 3/5/1938.

**March 7, 1717** An event unparalleled in modern times! How would this be handled by today's media? How would the affected citizenry react? E New England's "Great Snow" (4 storms beginning 2/27)) ended today. Boston, MA area depths to 4 feet; 25 foot snow drifts in Dorchester, MA.

**March 9, 1948 (9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>)** Blizzard conditions of 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> (and resultant snow cover) whitened much of KS. All-time KS March record cold of -25 °F in Oberlin, Healy and Quinter on the 11<sup>th</sup> as a result. March records of -15 °F (Dodge City) and -3 °F Wichita) also on 11<sup>th</sup>.

**March 11, 1986** Lightning hit a house in Payson, AZ. A large explosion and resulting fire led to its collapse within minutes. A helicopter pilot/paramedic observed the explosion, rushed into the flaming house and rescued its 2 occupants.

**March 15, 2010** The Winter of 2009-2010 was the 14<sup>th</sup> coldest of record (dating back to the Winter of 1895-1896) for SD. Huron's high today of 36 °F will finally be the last of a record-breaking 104 consecutive days with highs less than 40 °F. The previous record was 98 days, set in 1954-1955.

**March 17, 2002 (16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>)** The record was not merely broken, it was smashed. Anchorage AK Int'l Airport received 28.7 ins. snow in a 24-hour period almost doubling its old record of 15.6 ins. The SE side of Anchorage was "downsloped" so much less snow fell; Rabbit Creek had 6 inches.

**March 18, 1927** An F3 tornado destroyed a home near Tonkawa, OK. The 3 children survived, even though 1 of them was airborne for almost ½ mile. The father, who was outside when the tornado hit, held onto a tree as the house sailed away.

**March 20, 2005 (02/27-03/23)** More daily heat records (18) were set in SE FL during this 25-day period than in any other such periods in SE FL weather history. Today's low of 80 °F in Miami was its earliest in the year occurrence in the city's weather record.

**March 27, 1994** An F2 tornado caused much damage in Tallulah Falls, GA; then descended a 500 foot cliff to the base of nearby Tallulah Gorge, where it

destroyed many trees. Debris in the gorge included letters from Piedmont, AL, some 140 miles SW of Tallulah Falls, and the site of an earlier F4 tornado.

**March 28, 2007** Touching down 1 mile S of Holly, CO, an EF3 tornado sped through town 50-60 mph without any warning. 200+ buildings destroyed/damaged. 2 deaths, 9 hurt. 1 victim who died of her injuries was found in a tree. This became CO's earliest killer tornado (previous: 04/30/1942).

**March 29, 2007** If thunder is heard, one should go to a lightning safe area. A high school athlete was struck/killed by lightning at a track meet in Carbondale, IL. A bolt or 2 had been seen miles away, and a distant rumble of thunder was heard before the fatal strike.

**March 30, 1993** This apparently was not "soft" hail; good thing nobody's head was in the way. Hail to the size of baseballs fell from Braxton to D'lo, MS. A number of mobile homes were "punctured" by the hail.