## Weather Guide Calendar with Phenomenal Weather Events 2012

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### **APRIL 2012**

**April 1, 2004** 

Lightning hit a townhouse near Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania. It came through a glass door and struck a metal cane inches away from where an elderly woman was using her recliner. She was unhurt but a 4-alarm fire was ignited in a nearby townhouse by the bolt.

**April 3, 2010** 

Caribou, Maine had a maximum temperature of 82 °F. Not only was this the earliest it is ever reached 80° at Caribou but the record was beaten by an incredible 24 °F.

**April 6, 2010** 

Thunderstorm winds to 105 mph caused \$10 million damage to the Grinnell, lowa area. Six members of the Grinnell College track team were caught in the open and plummeted by hail to 1.5 inches in diameter and needed medical treatment.

**April 8, 1998** 

An F2 tornado destroyed a mobile home near Coal City, Alabama. The clothes dryer was found 250 yards from the home site-with a 3 year old girl inside it. Evidently her parents had put her in it hoping she would survive (she did). Unfortunately the parents were killed by the tornado.

**April 9, 2008** 

Good thing that EF1 tornado was not stronger as it crossed Houston Harte Expressway in San Angelo, Texas. Truck drivers who "rode out the storm" said their 18-wheelers were lifted off the ground at times. Semis can be picked up/ tossed / rolled considerable distances by strong tornadoes.

**April 12, 1927** 

A F5 tornado that was greater than a mile wide destroyed 235 of 247 buildings in Rock Springs, Texas. In many cases there was not a trace of the contents or lumber of the building left. There were 72 deaths. Many survivors were bruised by large hail which fell following the passage of the tornado.

## **April 17, 2002**

Lightning hit a tree near Sandy Ridge, North Carolina. A man standing in the outhouse next to the tree was injured when the bolt flashed from the tree to him. He was taken to the hospital and survived-with an interesting story to tell.

# **April 20, 1990**

Lightning hit a fish farm in Scott, Arizona. Approximately 10,000 pounds of fish were killed by the lightning bolt and the ensuing fire.

# **April 22, 2001**

A lightning bolt struck a home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and injured a person standing in the basement. Strange as it sounds, but here is why it happened. The basement was wet so the charge of electricity was able to find a pathway by way of the moisture to the victim.

## **April 23, 1968**

A hailstorm cut a swath from SW to NE across Kentucky's Cumberland County. Some hailstones were larger than eggs. On KY-61 hail was deeper than the clearance of many cars. The cold hail caused a fog that forced drivers to halt their cars and wait.

### **April 26, 2007**

A police officer tried to get out of her patrol car as an EF1 tornado approached near Hesston, Indiana. High winds kept that from happening; the car was lifted and thrown approximately 150 feet. The officer was cut and bruised, but not seriously hurt.

#### **April 30, 1991**

Southeast Bangladesh was devastated by tropical cyclone with sustained winds of approximately 150 mph in the early AM. A 20 foot storm surge inundated the offshore islands south of Chittagong and pushed water from the Bay of Bengal inland for miles. Up to 200,000 deaths occurred and the estimated damage total was 1.4 billion dollars.