APRIL 5ᵗʰ

On this day in...

2010: A trough of low pressure sliding through the Intermountain West brought strong winds to the deserts on this day. A peak gust of 76 mph was measured in Lucerne Valley.

2006: Hail three quarters of an inch in diameter fell in Corona. Lightning caused damage to two homes in Rialto. Thunderstorm

This thunderstorm around Johnson Valley was one of many on this day in 2006.

winds blew down trees in Mira Loma. A funnel cloud was spotted in Riverside near Highway 60 and I-215. In the mountains 10 plus inches of snow fell at resort level and small avalanche closed Highway 18 through the "The Narrows".

1989: Daily high temperature records were broken at ALL recording stations in Southern California on 4/4 and on this day. Many monthly record high temperatures were set for April: 112° in Palm Springs, 106° LA, 104° Riverside, 103° Escondido, 101° Tustin, 98° San Diego, 95° Victorville, 76° Big Bear Lake. This was part of major heat wave from late March into mid April. On this day it was 104° in Santa Ana, the highest temperature on record for April and the earliest temperature of 100° or higher for the year on record.

1983: Strong winds at Disneyland jolted the cable off a guide wheel on the Skyway gondola lift, prompting an automatic shutdown. Elsewhere in Anaheim winds knocked a man through a glass window.

1958: It was 14° in Idyllwild, the lowest temperature on record for April.

1926: A heavy rainstorm included some severe weather. In San Diego, 3.23 inches fell, the second wettest day in history. Short-period rainfall records were broken: 0.28 inch in five minutes, 0.75 inch in 30 minutes, 1.16 inches in one hour, and 2.09 inches in two hours. At Opid's Camp in the San Gabriel Mountains, 0.65 inches fell in one minute, the greatest one minute rainfall in state history. 3.85 inches fell in San Bernardino, the greatest daily rainfall in April in 45 years. Monthly single day rainfall records were set in Julian (3.70 inches), Riverside (3.07 inches), and Indio (0.76 inches). Floodwaters and mud up to four feet deep inundated the eastern part of downtown San Diego and National City, displacing 150 families. A waterspout comes ashore to become a tornado in National City resulting in the most damaging tornado on record in San Diego County. Strong winds in San Diego and Chula Vista. 18 injured. 21 homes were "total wrecks" in National City. Many other homes and buildings were "lashed to atoms by the furious winds" in National City, Chula Vista and San Diego. One shingle was driven into the side of a building "as if it had been shot from a gun." Trees were downed in Balboa Park and power was knocked out.