

## Comings and Goings at Glasgow:

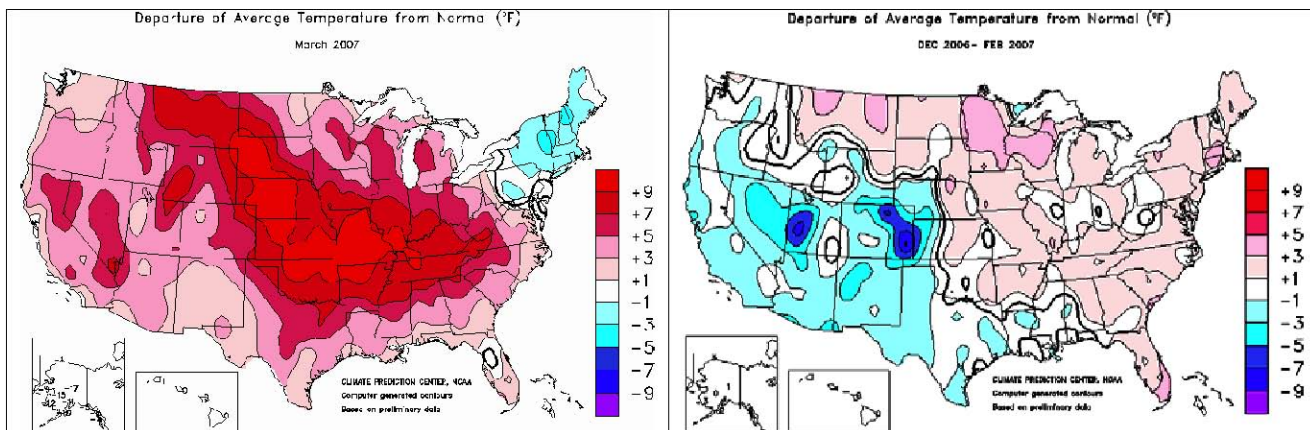
We have had several staff members leave for promotions in the last few months, so that means new people are arriving.

The first new arrival is **Patrick Gilchrist** as one of our 5 lead forecasters. Patrick is a Glasgow native and spent 4 years at the Glasgow office as a volunteer and then a paid student. When he graduated from the University of North Dakota, he was hired by the NWS in Missoula as a general forecaster. He has been an Incident Meteorologist (providing forecasts at major wildfires) for the last two years, and will continue in that role here as well as being responsible for the forecast shifts that he will be leading.

We also have a new Information Technology Officer at the office. **Gar Nelson** worked here at NWS Glasgow as an electronics technician before going to our regional headquarters in Salt Lake City. While in SLC, he has been the regional AWIPS program manager. AWIPS is the system the meteorologists use to look at current information, computer models and to create all the products we issue. We welcome both Patrick and Gar back to Glasgow!

Also, in June, our Science and Operations Office (SOO) **Tom Salem** left for a new position as the SOO in Memphis, TN. We wish him the best in his new position, and we will miss his quirky humor and the multitude of fun and zany ties he wears every day. And, our intern **Spencer Mell** also left in June to go to an aviation forecast unit in Kansas. For those who have spoken to or met Spencer, you know he has a great sense of humor, and we will miss having "our Spencer" here to make us laugh.

**CoCoRaHS** (Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow): The new CoCoRaHS program in Montana is slowly but surely recruiting new weather spotters. We currently have 12 people signed up in northeast Montana. If you already track precipitation data on a daily basis, you may want to consider becoming a CoCoRaHS Observer and reporting online when you get rain, hail or snow. [Click here](#) to visit the CoCoRaHS webpage.



The above graphics are available on the internet by [clicking here.](#)

**NOAA News:** NOAA's [Environmental Heros](#) were recently announced. Montana has the distinction of having two NOAA Environmental Hero's in the past; John Pulasky, Northern Ag Network, and Jim Rea, retired Meteorologist in Charge of NWS Glasgow. One of the hero's this year is Nolan Doesken, the creator of the CoCoRaHS weather spotter network which we started in Montana in December 2006. Congratulations to Nolan!

*So, what should you do if caught out at the ball park and a storm comes through?* It's not "go to the dugout," or even the concession stands! The safest place for all participants is to **go to their car** and wait the storm out.