MONTHLY CLIMATE SUMMARY, MAY, 2007
NIU WEATHER SERVICE, DEKALB, IL

Temperature
1971-2000 AVG. HI: 71.5(F)
1971-2000 AVG. LOW: 48.3(F)
1971-2000 AVG. TEMP: 59.9(F)
May 2007 AVG. HI: 76.2(F)
May 2007 AVG. LOW: 52.2(F)
May 2007 AVG. TEMP: 64.2(F)

Precipitation
May TOTAL: 2.26 in
May AVG: 4.16 in.
SNOW: 0.0 in.
YEAR TO DATE: 11.96 in
YEAR TO DATE AVG: 13.09 in

Degree Days
COOLING: 5/07: 82
1/07-Now: 92
HEATING: 5/07: 106.5
7/06-Now: 6596
GROWING: 5/07: 440.5
1/07-Now: 596

Discussion
Temperatures in the month of May, 2007 were extremely variable. The temperature fluctuated from a record high of 90°F on the 15th to a low of 41°F two days later, on the 17th. There were 14 days that had temperatures over 80°F, which has only happened six times since 1966. The average high for May 2007 was 76.2°F, the 5th warmest high value since 1966; the average low was 52.2°F, the 4th warmest low value since 1966 at 52.2°F. The average temperature was 64.2°F, the 5th warmest average temperature since 1966.

May 2007 started off very dry, with only 0.02” of rainfall in the first 13 days of the month. The last nine days of May saw the majority of the month’s 2.26” of rain with 2.05” on May 27th. The total rain for May 2007 was only 54% of the average for the month of May. May 2007 is the 8th driest May on record since 1966.

* New Record

Forecast Information (updated once daily at approx. 7:30 am): (815) 753-1623

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