

# Weather



National Weather Service

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 21. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming south after midnight.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 58. Breezy, with a south wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to 15 to 20 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 33. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

**Saturday:** Sunny, with a high near 60. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light.

**Saturday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 29.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 59.

**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

**Monday:** Sunny, with a high near 63.

**Monday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 63.

**Tuesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 65.

**Wednesday:** High, 62; Low 21

**Precip:** Wednesday None

Month: 0.05 inches

Year: 11.74 inches

Normal: 20.03 inches

(K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset**

Friday 7:30 a.m. 5:28 p.m.

Moon: waxing, 12 percent

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

# Filmmakers inspired by letters

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their story in front of us, that's when I think we both kinda looked at and said this is a film (and) at this point in time, a wonderful story. And we can let wheat and G-K Farms be a vehicle to really tell a story about the American Dream and about those things that are so important."

It took them about three months to get through all of the letters, Kriss said, because the men wrote to one another almost daily and they carried on full conversations back and forth. Using the letters gave Kriss and Duvall the ability to use the characters' own words.

"So when I say we had a conversation," Kriss said, "it literally was as if we brought them into the room. And these letters, this was the emotion. This was how they talked about the emotion of what was going on, their feelings."

"So when you hear the movie and you listen to them and you're in the movie, when you hear John Kriss speak and you hear Ray Garvey speak ... it's their words. The only part that was written in this film was the narration. Everything else is factual from them or an interview

that we did."

The filmmakers chose to film most of "Harvesting on the High Plains" in Thomas County and Colby because this area is home to the Kriss family.

"All Krisses have a tendency to refer to Colby as home," Kriss said. "... We had the assets to be able to film here. The land is still operational here, my father still farms, so we still had that ability to get out here and have the land. And we also wanted to shoot part of Colby."

He said he is thankful to the people at the Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, the mayor, the police department and the people who came out and wanted to be part of the film.

"It's kind of a community undertaking," Duvall said, "so it was really kind of a sense of pride for Colby and what it stood for and these people giving back, too."

Kriss said he wouldn't have felt right about filming the movie anywhere else.

"I wouldn't have felt good filming a film about western Kansas and not be in western Kansas," he said.

The process began in late 2010 when Kriss and Duvall began raising money for the film.

He said they had a few benefactors help out, too.

Kriss said 2011 was a heavy production year and then 2012 was when they began compiling the film and polishing it off. They finished editing it this summer and the composer, Rob Pottorf, took only a month to write the original score.

However, the filmmakers came across some obstacles in the final month and a half of getting the film ready.

All the pieces, the editing, composition, etc., were brought together in Washington just as Hurricane Sandy hit. Duvall said this added to the culmination of the film.

She said even though the 1930s are a different time, the film's message still holds true for what's going on today.

"It's kind of a very timely message," she said, "because even though the time is different, it still correlates to the same issues and problems that are faced today. So that's what this film really is about; it's an inspiration; it's stating that tough times don't last forever and that there's going to be an end to people's problems and challenges. It kind of instills that sense of faith and that sense of strength in all of us that we all possess."

"Kriss and Garvey are both great characters, and they had a great fortitude for what they believed in and what they wanted to accomplish at one of the worst times in history. They overcame so much and they didn't have it easy, and that's kind of the inspiring message I think that comes through in this film."

The duo has another film in post-production which will be released in April. Kriss describes the film, titled "Vanishing Hemlock," as a modern piece with a historical bent about one man's attempt to save the Eastern Hemlock, a beautiful tree that has basically been wiped out by a small bug that came over from Europe in the 1950s.

He said this movie aligns with Inspirit Creative's goal, which is to inspire thought and create action as well as relate to the human experience, just as "Harvesting the High Plains" does.

"Harvesting the High Plains" ... is a manifestation of the American Dream," Kriss said. "... it's within all of us. It's something we can seize ourselves and make happen."

"Harvesting the High Plains" will air on Smoky Hills Public Television and Kansas Public Telecommunications Service Inc. stations at 7 p.m. tonight.

# Oil company to pay \$4.5 billion for spill

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fend the company against the remaining civil claims."

The settlement includes payments of nearly \$2.4 billion to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, \$350 million to the National Academy of Sciences and about \$500 million to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

London-based BP PLC said in a statement that the settlement would not include civil claims under the Clean Water Act and other legislation, pending private civil claims and state claims for economic loss.

The charges BP will plead guilty to include 11 felony counts of misconduct or neglect of ships officers, one felony count of obstruction of Congress and one misdemeanor count each under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Clean Water Act. The 11 counts related to the workers' deaths are under a provision of the Seaman's Manslaughter Act.

The obstruction charge is for lying to Congress about how much oil was pouring out of the ruptured well.

Attorney General Eric Holder was scheduled to discuss the settlement at an after-

noon news conference in New Orleans.

BP made a profit of \$5.5 billion in the third quarter.

The largest previous corporate criminal penalty assessed by the Department of Justice was a \$1.2 billion fine imposed on drug maker Pfizer in 2009.

The Deepwater Horizon rig, 50 miles off the Louisiana coast, sank after the April 20, 2010, explosion. The well on the sea floor spewed an estimated 206 million gallons of crude oil, soiling sensitive tidal estuaries and beaches, killing wildlife and shutting vast areas of the Gulf to commercial fishing.

Nelda Winslette's grandson Adam Weise, of Yorktown, Texas, was killed in the blast. She says somebody needs to be held accountable, even if it doesn't end her family's pain.

"It just bothers me so bad when I see the commercials on TV and they brag about how the Gulf is back, but they never say anything about the 11 lives that were lost. They want us to forget about it, but they don't know what they've done to the families that lost someone," she said.

The spill exposed lax government oversight and led to a temporary ban on deepwa-

ter drilling while officials and the oil industry studied the risks, worked to make it safer and developed better disaster plans.

BP's environmentally-friendly image was tarnished, and independent gas station owners who fly the BP flag claimed they lost business from customers who were upset over the spill. BP chief executive Tony Hayward stepped down after the company's repeated gaffes, including his statement at the height of the crisis: "I'd like my life back."

The cost of BP's spill far surpassed the Exxon Valdez spill in 1989. Exxon ultimately settled with the U.S. government for \$1 billion, which would be about \$1.8 billion today.

The government and plaintiffs' attorneys also sued Transocean Ltd., the rig's owner, and cement contractor Halliburton, but a string of pretrial rulings by a federal judge undermined BP's legal strategy to pin blame on them.

At the time of the explosion, the Deepwater Horizon was drilling into BP's Macondo well. The rig sank two days later.

After several attempts failed, engineers finally were successful in capping the well on July 15, 2010, halting the flow of oil into the Gulf of Mexico after more than 85 days.

# Red Cross needs help with supply due to Sandy

From "SUPPLY," Page 1

As many as 80,000 blankets have been delivered to the mid-Atlantic region, as forecasts called for colder temperatures and millions were still without power in New Jersey and New York.

"Every day we're sending more and more workers and supplies into these states as quickly as possible," said Charley Shimanski, senior vice president of disaster services. "... we are dedicating as many resources as we can to these hard-hit areas."

People can make a donation to help response efforts by going to [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org), calling (800) RED-CROSS, (800) 733-2767, or texting the word "RED-CROSS" to 90999 to make a \$10 donation.

People who have downloaded the free Red Cross app on their mobile phone can use the donate feature.

Contributions can be mailed to the American Red Cross, Box 37243, Washington, D.C., 20013.



## Saturday Evening November 17, 2012

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	College Football							Local		
KBSL/CBS	Elementary	48 Hours		48 Hours			Local			
KSNK/NBC	Revolution	Chicago Fire		Law & Order: SVU			Local	Saturday Night Live		
KSAS/FOX	College Football			Local			MasterChef	30S	Local	
<b>Cable Channels</b>										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Parking	Parking	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Storage	Storage
AMC	A Few Good Men						Hidalgo			
ANIM	Tanked		Tanked		Tanked				Tanked	
BRAVO	The Mummy Returns						The Mummy Returns			
CMT	Jeff Dunham: Spark	Redneck Island		Chainsaw	Big Texas		Redneck Island		Redneck Island	
CNN	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom			CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Get Him to the Greek		Dumb & Dumber							
DISC	Outlaw Empires	Outlaw Empires		Outlaw Empires			Outlaw Empires		Outlaw Empires	
DISN	Toy Story 3			Dog	Shake It	Good Luck	Good Luck	ANT Farm	Austin	
E!	He's Just Not			Ice-Coco		Fashion Police		Chelsea	Chelsea	
ESPN	College Football			Score		College Football				
ESPN2	College Football					SportsCenter		SportsCenter		
FAM	Last Holiday		Last Holiday						Bring It On	
FOOD	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Iron Chef America		Chopped	
FX	UFC 154: Prelims			Predators			BrandX		Biased	
HGTV	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Hunters	Hunt Intl	Love It or List It	

### We Celebrate Hometown Life

Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper.

HIST	Mankind The Story	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Mankind The Story
LIFE	Holiday High	Christmas Con				Holiday High
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Jersey Shore
NICK	iCarly	Victorious	Big Time	Rock	George	George
SCI	Resident Evil	Resident Evil			Primal	
SPIKE	Tokyo Drift				Planet Terror	Death
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Wedding Band	Wedding Band
TCM	Alice-Anymore				Bedazzled	Of Human Bondage
TLC	48 Hours: Hard Evid.	48 Hours: Hard Evid.	48 Hours: Hard Evid.	48 Hours: Hard Evid.	48 Hours: Hard Evid.	48 Hours: Hard Evid.
TRAV	National Treasure	Venture	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Cleveland	Boondocks
TV LAND	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures
USA	The Color Purple				Eat Pray Love	
VH1	T.I.-Tiny	Movie			Basketball Wives LA	Basketball Wives LA
WGN	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos			WGN News at Nine	Bones
<b>Premium Channels</b>						
HBO	Safe House			Boxing		24/7
MAX	End of Days	Hunted		Very Harold & Kumar 3D	Hunted	Skin-Max
SHOW	The Three Musketeers			The Switch		Homeland

## LOCAL TV Listings

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## Sunday Evening November 18, 2012

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Music Awards							Local		
KBSL/CBS	60 Min.	The Amazing Race		The Good Wife			The Mentalist		Local	
KSNK/NBC	Football	NFL Football						Local	Dateline NBC	
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Amer. Dad		Local				
<b>Cable Channels</b>										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	The Walking Dead		The Walking Dead		The Walking Dead		Talk Dead	Comic Men	The Walking Dead	
ANIM	Rattlesnake Republic		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot		Finding Bigfoot	
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Real Housewives	
CMT	Rocky II						Rocky IV			
CNN	CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Dumb & Dumber				Tosh.0	Brickle.	Key	Half Baked		
DISC	MythBusters		MythBusters		Breaking Magic		MythBusters		MythBusters	
DISN	Dog	Austin	Shake It	Jessie	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Jessie	Shake It	Wizards	Wizards
E!	Dateline	Ice-Coco	Ice-Coco	Ice-Coco	Ice-Coco	Nicki Min	Chelsea	The Soup	Ice-Coco	Nicki Min
ESPN	SportCtr	Countdown	MLS Soccer						SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College B	College Basketball				NASCAR	SportCtr	Soccer		E:60
FAM	Holiday in Handcuffs				Date Christmas				J. Osteen	Shook
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		The Next Iron Chef		All-Star Family Cook		Restaurant Stakeout		The Next Iron Chef	
FX	Twilight: New Moon						Twilight			
HGTV	Extreme Homes		Property Brothers		House Hunters Reno		House Hunters Reno		Property Brothers	
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Outback Hunters		Swampsgiving		Pawn	Pawn
LIFE	Holiday High				Holiday Spin					
MTV	Teen Mom 2		Jersey Shore		Jersey Shore		Catfish: The TV Show	Ridic.	Ridic.	
NICK	See Dad	Aquamarine					Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Resident Evil		Zombie Apocalypse				Rise of the Zombies			
SPIKE	Independence Day						Independence Day			
TBS	The Wizard of Oz				Grinch		Madagascar			Wedding
TCM	Plymouth Adventure				Captain John Smith		Country		Master of the House	
TLC	Sister	Sister	Sister Wives		Breaking Amish: The		Sister Wives		Breaking Amish: The	
TNT	The Bourne Ultimatum						The Bourne Ultimatum			
TOON	Looney	Dragons	Oblongs	King/Hill	King/Hill	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua
TRAV	Luxury Yachts		Extreme Yachts		Extreme Yachts		Extreme Yachts		Extreme Yachts	
TV LAND	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond		Raymond	King	King	King
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		It's Complicated			
VH1	Rehab With Dr. Drew		Law & Order: SVU		Rehab With Dr. Drew		Basketball Wives LA		Chrissy	T.I.-Tiny
WGN	How I Met	How I Met			NBA Basketball			News/Nine	Rules	Rules
<b>Premium Channels</b>										
HBO	Safe House		Boardwalk Empire		Treme		Boardwalk Empire		Treme	
MAX	Contraband				Bridesmaids					Sex Tapes
SHOW	Homeland		Dexter		Homeland		Dexter		Homeland	