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Afternoon Catch-Up



Good afternoon, Kansas City.

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 13th.

Now, let's get you caught up on the news.

The Big Picture

🤝 Andy Reid is famous for coaching and mentoring all-star athletes — including some who might have gotten off track. It's a philosophy that's thrown into sharp relief in the ESPN documentary coming out tomorrow, summed up in two simple words.

🗳️As Missouri Republicans consider gerrymandering Kansas City following a request from President Donald Trump, opposition calls have flooded Gov. Mike Kehoe's office. "I already feel that I have no

representation… Please don't make it worse," said one woman.

👀 Did Taylor Swift record her already-viral appearance on the Kelce brothers' podcast in St. Joseph? We can't say for sure, but something our photographer spotted at training camp sent us down a rabbit hole.

Here's what you should know

If you've followed the Chiefs in the Andy Reid era, you know that he's the fourth-winningest coach in NFL history because he's a unique fusion of his compelling experiences.

He's both a brilliant tactician and a taskmaster. Equal parts encouraging and exacting. And pragmatic with a playful side — a blend befitting the son of one of the first female radiologists and a Hollywood set designer.

In another life, he might have been an artist, welder or carpenter — skills he embraced as a child. Or a sportswriter, which he dabbled in as a senior at Brigham Young.

But whatever Reid was to be, it was going to be animated by who he is at heart: a man of empathy whose belief system is steeped in the virtues of second chances.

"I think it makes the world a better place," Reid said this week.

Those words could sound hollow if you didn't know how much Reid lives by them, which is why we've written about it a few times from different angles over the years.

But the new documentary on the Chiefs, "The Kingdom," lends some fresh illumination to the revealing point in Episode 2 of the six-part series premiering tomorrow.

Reid spoke to The Star's Vahe Gregorian about what "Don't Judge" means to him, and how it has informed his exceptional coaching career.

The Star's picks

🏟️ Just days before KU's revamped football stadium opens, the field's namesake donor gave another gift to the university — the largest in the school's history. Part of it will go to the stadium.

⚠️ The CEO of a pharmaceutical company based in KCK was charged with battery — while on probation for another incident of alleged domestic

violence involving the same woman.

❓ Opinion: After D.C., will Trump deploy the National Guard in KC, one of the most dangerous places in the country? Probably not, because of who's really in control of public safety here, writes columnist Melinda Henneberger.

❗ A restraining order is blocking this troubled Kansas ICE prison from opening. So why has it recently hired more than 100 new employees? The Star's Matthew Kelly takes a look.

⭐ Travis Kelce isn't the only Chiefs player stoked about Taylor Swift's new studio album. Patrick Mahomes was among the first to hear the news — "I'm obviously super excited."

❣️ A Missouri teenager recently woke up from a coma after falling into a 240-foot-deep ravine in a skateboarding accident. "I'm still here," the boy said.



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- Looking for something newsier? We got you. Check out our Reality Check newsletter, where we dive deep into the stories holding the powerful to account.
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VAHE GREGORIAN

How ‘don’t judge’ motto explains Chiefs coach Andy Reid’s success

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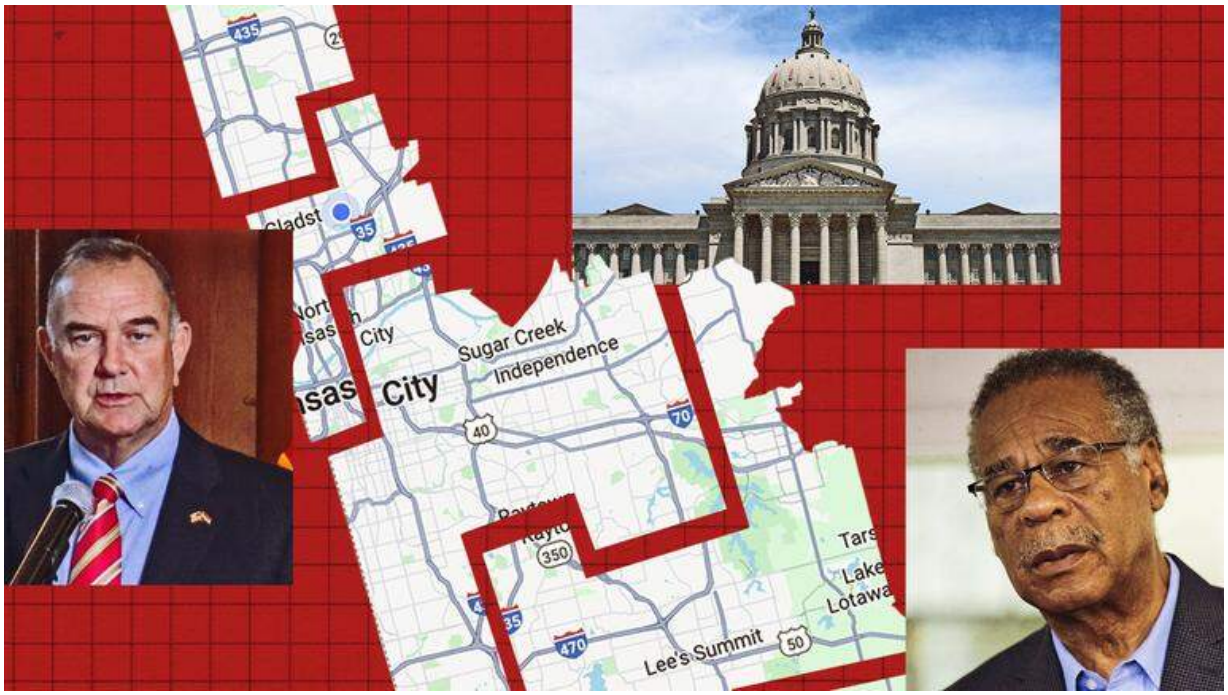

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

Calls opposing gerrymandering KC are No. 1 ‘hot topic’ flooding MO governor, records show

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An internal staff report lists opposition to the redistricting attempt as a “hot topic” among Missourians who contacted the governor late last month.

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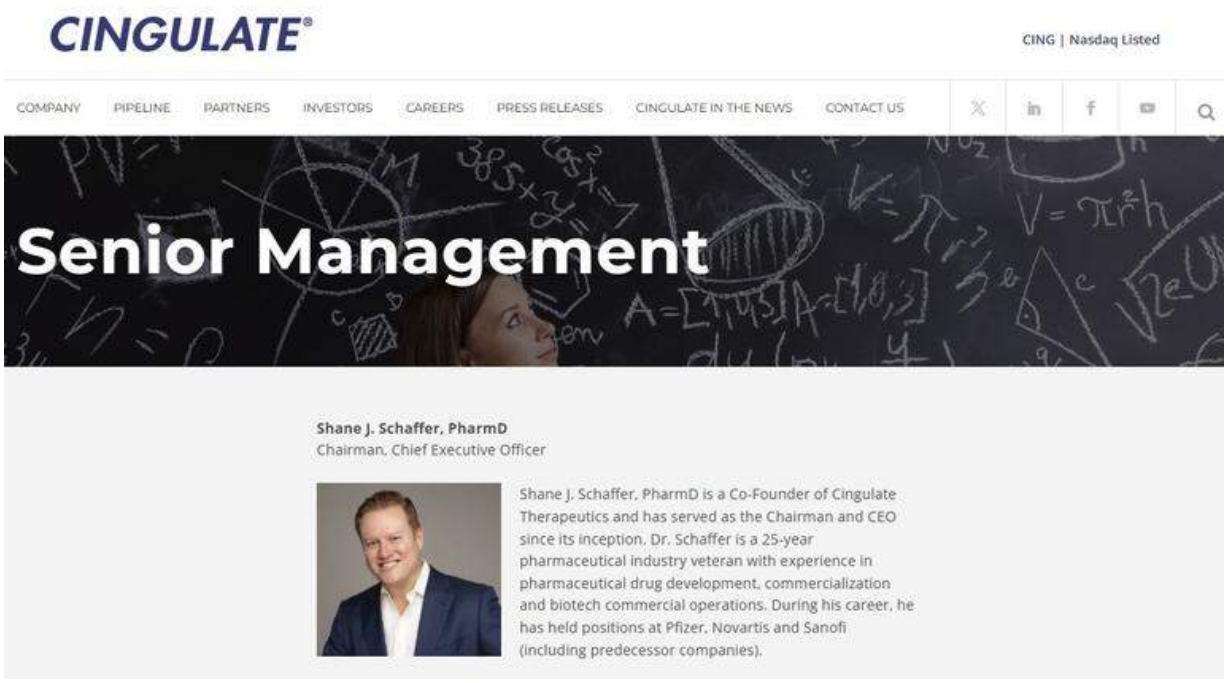
KU Athletics announces program record donation of $300 million from David Booth

Kansas alumnus and avid donor David Booth gifted $300 million to KU Athletics — $75 million will go toward the greater stadium project.



LOCAL

CEO of KC-area pharma company faces domestic violence allegations — again

Shane Schaffer, the CEO of Cingulate, was on probation when he was charged with domestic battery Saturday, according to court records.



MELINDA HENNEBERGER

Trump won’t take over this Democratic city, though KC is among most dangerous | Opinion

Since we already have nothing to say about our GOP-controlled police force, all must be well. From Melinda Henneberger:



GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

Restraining order prevents Kansas ICE prison from opening. So why is it hiring?

“As long as they don’t detain anybody, they can hire as many people as they like,” said Leavenworth City Manager Scott Peterson.



FOR PETE'S SAKE

Chiefs’ Patrick Mahomes on why he’s excited about Taylor Swift’s new album

Chiefs coach Andy Reid shared why he’s happy for Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift and their relationship.



MISSOURI

‘I’m still here.’ Teen survives 240-foot ravine fall and coma after MO accident

“He wasn’t going to give up. And he’s like, ‘I’m not just gonna lay here and die.’”

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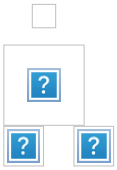

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