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Are you starved for more *Check, Please! KC?*

Well, pull up to the TV with fork and knife in hand because Kansas City's favorite culinary exploration show is back with six new drool-worthy episodes beginning January 26, 2012. The line-up looks delicious:

- Episode 401 premieres Thursday, January 26, 2012 at 8m. Reviewers recommend the Gaslight Grill in Leawood, Kansas; Real Jalisco Fine Mexican Cuisine in Blue Springs, Missouri and Kitty's Café in Midtown, KCMO.
- Episode 402 airs Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 8pm. Reviewers recommend Thai Place in Overland Park, Kansas; The Westside Local in the Westside; and Henry's Tea Room in Lee's Summit, Missouri.
- Episode 403 airs Thursday, February 9 2012 at 8pm. Reviewers recommend Carlo's Italian Restaurant in Lenexa, Kansas, El Sombrero in Claycomo, Missouri, and the now closed Sharp's 63rd Street Grill in the KCMO Brookside neighborhood.
- Episode 404 airs Thursday, February 16, 2012 at 8pm. Reviewers recommend The Rieger Hotel Grill & Exchange in the Crossroads neighborhood; Esquina in Lawrence, Kansas, and 3 Women and an Oven in South Overland Park, Kansas.
- Episode 405 airs Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 8pm. Reviewers recommend K&M Bar-B-Q in Spring Hill, Kansas; Rock Inn Homestyle Café in Kearney, Missouri; and The Majestic Restaurant in Downtown KCMO.
- Episode 406 airs Thursday, March 1 at 7:30pm (moved up to accommodate special programming beginning at 8pm.) Reviewers recommend Mama Mia's Italian Restaurant in Leavenworth, Kansas; Domo in the KCMO Brookside neighborhood; and the R Bar & Restaurant in the West Bottoms.

When Sharp's 63rd Street Grill closed midway through production and when the R Bar switched their culinary focus on the very day the reviewer interviews were recorded in the KCPT studios, the producers had to think quickly. "After absorbing the shock and disappointment," says producer Pamela James, "we decided to honor Sharps' long standing commitment to the community by airing the segment anyway. We brought Doug Frost back into the studio to record a special introduction to explain the circumstances. With regards to the R Bar episode, we added a twist. We kept the original reviewers discussing the first two restaurants and then



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brought in three new reviewers to talk cocktails at the R Bar, literally AT the R Bar. I'm curious to know what our viewers will think!"

In fact, the producers want to know what you think! Throughout the season, the viewer is invited you to talk to the show's producers via Twitter and Facebook during the premier night of each episode. Ask questions, make comments. To do this, become friends on Facebook at *Check, Please! Kansas City with Host Doug Frost* or follow the show on Twitter at #CheckPleaseKC.

Buen Apetito! Itadakimasu! Mangia! Have fun!

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