# Halian Salad and Homemade Croutons

# **INGREDIENTS**

# **Italian Salad:**

- 1 head of Romaine lettuce
- 1/2 medium red onion, peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
- 1/3 cup of freshly grated Parmesan Cheese
- 1 cup homemade croutons
- 1/2 cup Kents Italian Dressing

# **Homemade Croutons:**

- 1 half loaf of bread
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 3/4 teaspoon Kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

# Italian Salad:

- 1. Wash tomatoes and lettuce and pat dry.
- 2. Chop cherry tomatoes in half.
- 3. Thinly slice your onion.
- 4. Begin to prepare your lettuce and peel back any layers of leaves that are damaged or discolored.
- 5. Cut off the butt ends of lettuce. Chop lettuce to 1/4-inch bite size pieces.
- 6. Place all ingredients into salad bowl.
- 7. Grate 1/3 cup of Parmesan cheese
- 8. Toss all ingredients together and top with homemade croutons and more cheese.

# Homemade Croutons:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 F.
- 2. Cut slices of bread into 1/2-inch cubes.
- 3. Place cubes into a mixing bowl and drizzle with olive oil. Toss with seasoning.
- 4. Spread the seasoned cubes evenly in a single layer across the sheet pan.
- 5. Bake in the oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown.

# Chicken Cutlet Topped with Marinara and Mozzarella Cheese

# **INGREDIENTS**

- 6 oz chicken breast or thigh
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- Season the flour with:
  - o 3/4 tsp Kosher Salt
  - 1/2 tsp black pepper
  - 1/4 tsp Italian seasoning
  - 1 cup Panko bread crumbs
- 2-3 eggs, scrambled
- 1 cup Canola oil
- Marina sauce

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 F.
- 2. Prepare the chicken:
  - a. Rinse and pat dry.
  - b. Trim off excess fat.
  - c. Optional: pound chicken flat with a kitchen mallet.
- 3. Prepare the coating:
  - a. Place seasoned flour, breadcrumbs, and scrambled eggs in three separate shallow dishes.
  - b. Make sure to keep one hand dry and one hand wet to avoid clumpy hands:
    - i. Dip chicken into the flour.
    - ii. Dip chicken into egg and allow any excess egg to drip off.
  - c. Lay chicken into breadcrumbs to coat each piece on both sides
  - d. Set aside coated chicken and repeat until all chicken is coated.

# **INSTRUCTIONS** (continued)

- 4. Heat an 8-inch pan and add oil.
  - a. Over medium heat, cook the chicken until golden brown (approximately 2-3 mins). Turn the chicken over and cook the other side until golden brown (approximately 2-3 mins).
  - b. Place chicken on a plate covered with a paper towel.
  - c. Repeat the process until all chicken is cooked.
- 5. Place chicken onto a sheet pan lined with wax paper.
  - a. Place in preheated oven for about 6-8 mins (or until chicken reaches internal temperature of 155F). It will be firm to the touch.
  - b. Remove the sheet pan from the oven and turn off the oven.
  - c. Spread marinara sauce evenly across the chicken pieces. Top off with mozzarella cheese.
  - d. Place back in warm oven until cheese is melted approximately 5-6 mins (or until chicken reached internal temperature of 165F).
  - e. Pull out the sheet pan once completed.

