Kitchen Creations with Chef Marcia Tapas Menu: January 21, 2016

Devilled eggs with smoked salmon and capers

6 hard boiled eggs

Slices of smoked salmon

2 tbsp mayo

1 tbsp minced capers

1 tbsp minced green onion

1 tsp fresh dill

Salt and pepper to taste

1 baguette sliced thin and toasted in over with olive oil

Directions:

Peal hard boiled eggs, and cut in quarters. Separate whites and yokes. Place yokes in a bowl with the mayo, capers, green onion and dill. Mix till smooth consistency, add a little more mayo if necessary, salt and pepper to taste. Place a slice of salmon on the egg white, then top with the egg yoke mixture. Sprinkle a little dill on top. Serve on a thin slice of toasted baguette.

Herb goat cheese with a roasted tomato and balsamic marinara with garlic crostini

4 oz goat cheese

1 tsp minced garlic

1 tsp minced basil

Salt and pepper

Mix all together to combine

Marinara

1 pint of grape or cherry tomatoes ¼ cup diced onion Fresh basil Olive oil Balsamic vinegar Lemon juice

Directions:

Combine tomatoes, onion, basil and olive oil, roast in the oven at 350degrees for 15 minutes or till tomatoes are bursting. Puree mixture. In a sauce pan heat the tomato mixture with balsamic vinegar, add salt and pepper as needed and a touch of lemon juice.

Spanish Spinach and Tomato Mini Pizzas

2 tbsp olive oil

1 onion finely chopped

1 garlic clove minced

1 14oz can of diced tomatoes

3 cups baby spinach

Salt and pepper

2 tbsp pine nuts

Pizza dough

6-8 tbsp warm water ½ tsp active dry yeast Pinch of sugar 1 ¼ cups bread flour ½ tsp salt

Pizza dough directions

Combine water, yeast and sugar. Let set till frothy about 10 min. Add in flour and salt and knead by hand or with kitchen aid dough hook for 10 min. Put in a clean bowl and cover with plastic wrap over bowl. Let raise for 1hr in a warm place or till doubled in size.

Topping

Heat 1 thsp olive oil, add onion, cook for 5 min. add in garlic cook for 30 sec. add in tomatoes, cook for 5 min. until reduced to a thick mixture. Add the spinach and cook, stirring, till wilted. Season with salt and pepper.

Making the pizzas

Punch down the pizza dough and knead for 2 min. by hand. Roll out the dough very thin on a floured surface, cut out 32 circles with a round cutter. Place on an olive oiled baking sheet. Top with the topping and sprinkle with pine nuts and a drizzle of olive oil. Bake for 10-15 minute until edges of the dough are golden brown. 400 degree oven.

<u>Chicken Cube with Cherry Tomato and Blanched Broccoli with a Garlic Chili Sauce chile garlic dipping sauce:</u>

1 1/2tb Chile garlic sauce,

1 t garlic,

1/4c rice wine vinegar,

1/3c water,

1/3c sugar,

1/2t salt,

1t fish sauce.

Cornstarch slurry,

1 1/2tb cilantro

Directions:

Put all top 7 ingredients in a saucepan, bring to a boil, then simmer, add cornstarch slurry to thicken. Finish with cilantro.

Stir fry chicken cubes in a little vegetable oil and sesame oil till done (salt and pepper), blanch broccoli, add to stir fry (keep crunch), add tomatoes for a quick stir fry. Put tomato, broccoli and chicken on a skewer and dip in sauce, serve with side of sauce.