



AUGUST RESET: SMALL CHANGES, BIG DIFFERENCE

As summer winds down and the first signs of fall begin to emerge, August offers the perfect opportunity for a “reset.”

Whether you’re prepping kids for back-to-school, shifting out of summer vacation mode, or simply looking to refresh your daily routine, a few small changes can make a big difference in how you finish out the year.

1. Reclaim Your Routine

Summer often brings a break from structure—but as we inch closer to September, now’s a great time to ease back into a consistent schedule. Try waking up 15 minutes earlier each day to slowly adjust your morning routine. Even small changes like setting out clothes the night before or creating a weekly meal plan can help reduce daily stress and make your days feel more intentional.

2. Set a Mini Goal

You don’t have to wait until New Year’s to make resolutions. August is an ideal time to set one small, achievable goal. Whether

it’s drinking more water, walking daily, starting a journal, or finishing a book you’ve put off for months—focusing on one area can spark momentum and help you enter the fall with a sense of accomplishment.

3. Get Organized at Home

A little decluttering can go a long way. Pick one drawer, one closet, or one shelf to tidy up each week. The goal isn’t to overhaul your entire apartment, but to create more breathing room in your space and your mind. Consider donating gently used items to local charities or simply letting go of what no longer serves you.

4. Plan Ahead for Fall

Use this month to get ahead—schedule medical appointments, review budgets, or prepare for upcoming seasonal expenses. If you have children, start transitioning them back into a school-friendly routine now. And don’t forget to pencil in some “you” time, too—whether

that’s a quiet morning with coffee or a weekend exploring a new hobby.

5. Reflect and Refresh

Take a moment to check in with yourself. What went well this summer? What would you like to change going forward? A few minutes of reflection can bring clarity, peace of mind, and even a bit of motivation.



August may be the end of summer, but it can also be a fresh start. A simple reset now can help you feel more balanced, productive, and ready for whatever fall has in store.

ONE PAN GARLIC BUTTER CHICKEN & RICE

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 Tablespoons butter
- 1 Lb boneless, skinless chicken breast or thighs, cut into chunks
- 2 Cloves garlic, minced (or 1/2 tsp garlic powder)
- 1 cup uncooked white rice
- 2 1/4 cups chicken broth (or water + bouillon)
- Salt and Pepper to taste



DIRECTIONS:

1. In a large skillet, melt butter over medium heat.
2. Add chicken, season with salt and pepper, and cook until lightly browned (about 5 minutes).
3. Add garlic and stir for 30 seconds.
4. Stir in uncooked rice and broth. Bring to a boil.
5. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 18–20 minutes until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed.
6. Fluff with a fork and serve.

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AUGUST 2025 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Rent Due	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Late Notices at 10:00 am	12	13 Pest Control Building 3 (7812)	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Pest Control Building 1 (7808)	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Pest Control Building 2 (7816)	28	29	30
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COMMUNITY CORNER

- A friendly reminder: rent is due on the first of the month. A late fee will be applied to rent not paid in full by 10:00 am on August 11th. The only forms of payment we accept are checks, money orders, or credit/debit cards (with a \$5 fee). Please do not drop cash or change in the drop box for payments. **Please remember to add the \$5 fee to your online payment. This has been a problem and could be why some tenants still have a balance after paying rent.**
- Residents, please note the extermination date for your building. Pest control will be done on Wednesday.
- If you have a maintenance emergency after hours or when the office is closed, please call 1-800-224-4787. Do not call the office phone after hours or on the weekends.

COMMUNITY CORNER CONTINUED

- Guest/Visitors must have a guest/visitor pass if staying overnight. They MUST park in the visitor area.
- All tenants must have a Brook Villas parking pass placed on the windshield. If you are a tenant and do not have one, please bring your current registration to the Property Manager, and one will be assigned.
- Please, no pets are allowed!
- Please pick up your trash. We want to keep the property looking nice. Anyone found leaving trash in the breezeways will be fined.
- If the dumpsters are full, please do not leave trash outside the dumpsters or outside of your door.
- Please do not drag trash bags through the breezeways. It leaves the area looking unpleasant.
- **When putting trash in the dumpster, please be sure bags are securely tied closed!**
- Please do not put flushable wipes down the toilet or grease down the drains. Both will damage pipes and cause a lot of issues. Tenants will be charged a \$100.00 fee to their rent for any damages resulting from ignoring these requests.