



RIVER HOUSES CALENDAR 2018–2019

WEEKLY/MONTHLY EVENTS

Sundays: Quick Freshes / States & Countries
Tuesdays: Library Day (First Tuesdays: Monthly Dewey Decimal Class)
Fridays: Natural History Day (First Fridays: Monthly Skywatching Preview)
Full Moons: Monthly Lunar Society Report (Group Research Projects)

FALL TERM (Cygnus Term)

September 2018

1 (Sa): The River Houses year begins (Let the river run!)
3 (M): *Labor Day*
12 (W): Traditional date of the Battle of Marathon, 490 B.C. (What are years?)
17 (M): Constitution Day / Citizenship Day
19 (W): International Talk-Like-a-Pirate Day (Arrr!)
22 (Sa): September (Autumnal) Equinox

October 2018

Family History Month
8 (M): *Columbus Day*
25 (Th): St. Crispin's Day, 1415 (This story shall the good man teach his son.)
31 (W): Halloween (Boo!)

November 2018

6 (Tu): Election Day
11 (Su): *Veterans Day* (originally Armistice Day, the 11th day of the 11th month; observed on the 12th)
17–18 (Sa–Su): Leonid Meteor Shower
19 (M): Gettysburg Address, 1863 (Conceived in Liberty.)
22 (Th): *Thanksgiving Day*
23 (F): Native American Heritage Day

WINTER TERM (Orion Term)

December 2018

Holiday Music Month (Good morrow, masters all!)
10 (M): Emily Dickinson's Birthday, 1830
21 (F): December (Winter) Solstice
25 (Tu): *Christmas Day* / Newton's Birthday, 1643
31 (M): New Year's Eve (Ring out, wild bells!)

January 2019

1 (Tu): *New Year's Day*
5 (Sa): Twelfth Night (Hey, ho, the wind & the rain.)
20–21 (Su–M): Total Lunar Eclipse (North America)
21 (M): *Martin Luther King Jr. Day* (Lift every voice.)

February 2019

4–8 (M–F): Color Our Collections Week
8 (F): Mendeleev's Birthday, 1834
12 (Tu): Lincoln's Birthday / Darwin's Birthday, 1809
14 (Th): Valentine's Day (You may blame Aphrodite.)
15–18 (F–M): Great Backyard Bird Count
18 (M): *Washington's Birthday* (observed), 1732

SPRING TERM (Leo Term)

March 2019

14 (Th): Einstein's Birthday, 1879
15 (F): The Ides of March, 44 B.C. (Beware!)
20 (W): March (Vernal) Equinox
21 (Th): Bach's Birthday, 1685
26 (Tu): Robert Frost's Birthday, 1874

April 2019

19 (F): Lexington & Concord, 1775 (The shot heard round the world.)
23 (Tu): Shakespeare's Birthday (more or less), 1564
26 (F): Arbor Day (Loveliest of trees, the cherry now.)

May 2019

Bird Migration Month
12 (Su): Mother's Day
27 (M): *Memorial Day* (observed)
31 (F): The River Houses year ends (Set me free to find my calling.)

SUMMER TERM (Hercules Term)

June 2019

14 (F): Flag Day (O say, can you see?)
16 (Su): Father's Day
21 (F): June (Summer) Solstice

July 2019

4 (Th): *Independence Day* (A people great and strong.)
20 (Sa): Mendel's Birthday, 1822 / Moon Landing, 1969

August 2019

12–13 (M–Tu): Perseid Meteor Shower