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Happy 2007 from the UCF Libraries!

Are you interested in **New Year Celebrations Around the World?**

Try searching the Library database, **xreferplus — Your Online Reference Library!**

From [http://library.ucf.edu/Databases](http://library.ucf.edu/Databases) click on “X” in the alphabetical list of database titles, then select **xreferplus**.

Once in **xreferplus** search using the terms **“new years celebrations”**. Some examples are:

- **Water Splashing Day (Dai New Year)** – the Dai people of southwestern Yunnan Province of China celebrate the birthday of Buddha and the new year in the middle of April with the Water Splashing Festival, which includes dragon-boat races, fireworks, and splashing each other with water.

- **Alahamady Be** – New Years Day in Madagascar, celebrated in March, includes feasting, the giving of presents, and religious songs.

- **Omisoka** – New Year’s Eve is celebrated in Japan by settling financial accounts, eating a special noodle dish, and taking a hot bath followed by a well-earned rest.

- **Ibu Afo Festival** – The Igbo people of Nigeria celebrate the New Year in March with a ceremony that has the children rushing into their houses and locking their doors to avoid being carried away by the old year as it leaves.

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**Enjoy a good movie on the weekend?**

The Library currently has a collection of over **2300 DVDs** and **9800 VHS tapes**.

- Videos check out for **7 days** (renew once online)
- Best of all – there’s **NO** rental fees!
- Portable DVD Players check out for **3 days**

DVDs and videos can be checked out at the Media Services Desk on the 3rd floor of the Library.

- **Chicago**
- **The Constant Gardner**
- **Double Jeopardy**
- **Erin Brockovich**
- **Evil Dead**
- **Harry Potter**
- **Holes**
- **Howl’s moving Castle**
- **Indian Jones**
- **Jerry Maguire**
- **Jumanji**
- **Lord of the Rings**
- **Monty Python & the Holy Grail**
- **The Notebook**
- **O, Brother Where Art Thou?**
- **Rain Main**
- **Sling Blade**
- **The Truman Show**
- **The Other Sister**
- **What’s Eating Gilbert Grape**

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**Fines — What Fines?**

Library fines are 25 cents per day per item ($5.25 maximum fine per item). That may not seem like much, but consider that 20 books overdue for 30 days would result in a total of **$105.00 in fines!**

REMEMBER— you can always renew your Library books online at [http://library.ucf.edu](http://library.ucf.edu), just click on **My Account / Renew Books** and follow the on screen instructions.

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**Spring Library Hours**

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