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Aajay Murphy, managing editor for the Kennesaw State University (KSU) Libraries’ Digital Commons, recently received the university-wide Employee of the Month award. The award is given to an employee who demonstrates an ongoing commitment to excellence in service and engagement. Aajay is completing his second year as KSU’s Digital Commons repository manager, and during his time the holdings of the repository have grown to almost one million.

Rachel Johnson is the newest member of the KSU Library System. She is in the newly created position of library technology paraprofessional I in the Research & Instructional Services Department. In this position she will be assisting the Research & Instructional Service Departments at both the Johnson and Sturgis libraries.

Jeff Clemmons, author of Rich’s: A Southern Institution, was the Sturgis Library guest speaker for Black History Month on February 17, 2016. His topic was "MLK, JFK, Civil Rights, and Rich’s: How an Atlanta Institution Ushered in a President."

The Friends of the KSU Library System held a used book sale at the Johnson Library on March 8 and 9, 2016. The sale was very successful for the Friends.
During midterms the Sturgis Library invited a KSU counselor to do a meditation class for the stressed out campus community.

The KSU Library System took part in the campus-wide Geek Week, March 14–18, 2016. Librarian Aaron Wimer of the Johnson Library did a presentation on the history of massive multiplayer online games (MMOs). He also led a panel on role playing and team building. Game nights and game days were also offered at both campus libraries during the week.

The Kennesaw State University System and the Office of the President continued the tradition of the Authors’ Reception on March 29, 2016. This celebration honoring KSU faculty, staff, and student scholarship was originally started in 1999 at the Southern Polytechnic State University’s L.V. Johnson Library. Dean of Libraries Dr. David Evans, KSU President Dr. Daniel Papp, and Associate Professor of Information Systems Dr. Adriane Randolph were the guest speakers. Over one hundred authors participated. Affordable Learning Georgia grant recipients were honored along with the student finalists in the library’s first Undergraduate Research Award.