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NSU Hosts Annual Event to Stop Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse

Kristine Belizaire Current Affairs Editor

On Tuesday, Jan. 22, NSU held its sixth annual Take Back the Night Campaign to raise awareness about domestic violence and abuse.

Take Back the Night has its roots all the way back in 1977, when women in London, England began to protest the fear and violence that they felt when walking the streets at night. It is also believed that the first rally occurred in 1976 when women at the University of Arizona and the American Federation of Crises on Crimes Against Women in Belgium began to walk in the streets to denounce violence against women.

Several projects were put into play in conjunction with Take Back the Night, including the Clothesline Project – a visual display of messages about domestic abuse written by participants.

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In order to combat these fees and expenses, many students apply for financial aid and assistance from the university. Beginning Jan. 1, students can fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, more commonly referred to as the FAFSA, in order to request financial aid assistance from the governmental costs. NSU students are eligible for federal and state grants as well as student loans depending upon their financial situations. Both are need-based awards granted by the federal government. However, often the federal and state grants do not have to be repaid, so while the loans incur interest both during and after the student has completed his education, which is why they’ve been named subsidized loans for those who have a number of years to repay the loans at a fixed interest rate. Undergraduate students who qualify are eligible for $3,500 in unsubsidized loans, and $4,500 in unsubsidized loans for those freshmen and sophomore years. They can also receive $4,000 in unsubsidized loans during their freshman and sophomore years and $5,500 during their junior and senior years. “The process of trying to get aid is really difficult,” said Tuggle Jones, a senior biology major. “Up until a certain age, you can’t be classified as an independent, so the loan amount is based upon what your parents make, but that doesn’t mean that they can afford it.” Jones said that everything about NSU is expensive and that she is seriously dissatisfied with the financial aid process. “I wish they would decrease the tuition period, because it throws everything off,” said Jones. “You have 30 days to pay the balance in full, and then they apply a $50 late fee. I commute every day and yet my student activities fees is still $250 a year.” Jones said that she feels like she never has enough money to pay for everything. “Depending upon the semester, you’ll see that you’ve been awarded a certain percentage of money; like $500, but then the lender takes a fee, so even though you were awarded it you

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New Amendment Threatens Rights of Hetero and Homosexual Unions

Raquel Fagan Variety Editor

A new amendment coming up for vote in Florida is the Marriage Protection Amendment, which would go beyond the existing ban on gay marriages and threaten the fundamental rights of all married heterosexual domestic partner couples by altering the constitutional rights of all married heterosexual domestic partner couples.

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manship training major, is also pretty frustrated with the financial aid process. "I actually don't think I should get financial aid because they just don't give enough of it for the school year," said Diaz. "It's very difficult to get scholarships. I have my sister here with me, so I feel as though these funds are very useful and very important.""my sister here with me, so I feel as though these funds are very useful and very important.

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Laura Staart, a first year graduate stu-
dent in the College of Student Affairs, said, "I'm surprised that the primary election is not on the tip of everyone's tongue. I'm not sure if the primary election is actually being considered or if their futures are considered.

"I'm glad that I find the process really helpful, because without it I wouldn't be here," said Anthony Ferrera, a junior legal studies major with a very different perspective on the financial aid process. "What they offer in dollar amounts and the other scholarships available to students are very useful and I am grateful to them."

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Alyssa Milano Captivates Audience at Life 101

Christopher Balaban Staff Writer

- NSU students and community members waited an hour in advance in a meandering line outside the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center on Jan. 17 in eager anticipation for the Life 101 series featuring Alyssa Milano.

The packed auditorium audience was a mix of students, faculty, staff and their family members. And full of color as host Mark Cavanaugh, professor of NSU, introduced the well-known actresses.

The 35-year-old New Yorker, who was raised in a house of artistic inspiration and known famously for her acting career, proceeded to astound audience members with her successful diversity in humanitarian and entrepreneurial works.

Cavanaugh opened the evening with a brief biography of Milano and questions relating to her childhood. Alyssa was actually born in Oregon, Ohio, and played the role of one of the orphan children.

From that point on, "the rest is history," said Milano with a laugh, as she went on to feature in multiple television shows including "Melrose Place, Spin City, General Hospital" and what she called her "most famous five minutes on television," a small clip on Family Guy. Though much admired for her artistic work on the screen and on the stage, it was later into the evening when Milano's true character was unveiled by Cavanaugh.

Further questions also revealed Milano's entrepreneurial efforts, as those in attendance learned of the release of her new sports clothing line for women titled "Truth by Alyssa Milano," which will be in arena and stadium stores for the NFL, NHL, NBA, NCAA and MLB.

Milano's love for baseball is what inspired her to take on this creative task.

From baseball, it was on to a softer side, where it was discovered how much of an animal lover Milano truly is. Milano owns three dogs, and eight horses. The most recent addition to Milano's family of pets is Gibbon, a Chihuahua she mentioned she had bought on sale for $300. Milano also revealed that she is a vegetarian and strong supporter of PETA.

As the evening neared its end, Milano began speaking about her humanitarian efforts and ambitions, something which captivated the audience and caused a number of questions from interested and inspired students.

Milano lived in South Africa for three months and over her humanitarian efforts, she described her time there as "the most pivotal moment of her life." From South Africa Milano went on to Angola, where her experiences led her to found many charitable foundations, one in which she's committed $500,000, in an effort to aid and cure the impoverished in third world countries from tropical parasitic diseases such as trypanosomiasis.

Cavanaugh ended the interview with questions pertaining to Milano's political activism. She is part of the "Rock the Vote" campaign, which promotes, supports and educates youth voters. Milano also revealed that Barack Obama was getting her vote in the upcoming election, and that he has known Senator Obama for a few years, and spoke with him during her involvement with the John Kerry campaign.

The floor was then opened to the audience, who asked questions ranging in topics from her personal life to humanitarian work. The evening ended with Dr. Cavanaugh asking Milano to close with a poem by her favorite poet, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and several gifts given to Milano in appreciation for her visit.

Food and beverages were provided by NSU during a reception for all in attendance, as well as the opportunity to meet Milano one-on-one.

Students were captivated by the young, motivated and exemplary woman. Junior Divya Sathyaws, said,"Alyssa is a motivational and inspirational woman of great character."

Daniela Reyes, a sophomore, nodded in agreement. Abi Rabain, a biology sophomore, said "I was inspired to do more for impoverished children after the interview."
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- Muscle to Bones Dance Show: Come enjoy NSU’s dance production titled Muscle to Bones: Moving the Power Within. The show will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Center for the Performing Arts. For more information, contact Dr. Cheta-

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**NSU Fraternities Seek to Recruit New Members During Rush Week 2008**

**Bibin Mannattuparampil Staff Writer**

- Greek life at NSU is slowly becoming bigger and bigger. As Rush Week begins, in an NSU, a number of events took place to recruit new members for Greek organizations. Without the help of new members an organization will simply die out, which is why Rush Week is so important for NSU. Bibin Mannattuparampil

- Tuesday, a Quad Thursday promotion, and a Miami tabling on Monday; an obstacle course game night on a number of sororities at NSU, hopes to aid in correcting the child abuse problem in America. Sigma Delta Tau's future plans include a trip to the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in Miami. We're just a fun group that loves all girls and enjoys having a good time," said Elizabeth Rodriguez, vice president of recruitment.

**Hunger Banquet Educates NSU About World Famine Issues**

**Christopher Balaban Staff Writer**

- Earth currently contains approximately six billion people. 8.4 million of them are hungry. Of these 8.4 million, 7.99 million have hungry individuals live in what is termed the "developed world." Six million children die each year due to hunger, another 2.5 million children due to Vitamin A deficiency, along with countless others overlooked by those who could have contributed and saved a life.

The Hunger Banquet is an event designed to raise awareness about hunger in the present world, including the large population of hungry individuals living in Davie, Fla. A large tent was set up in the back of the Commons Residence Halls on Jan 23, and beneath it were plastic tables, two candlelit tables covered in tablecloths, and a blue nylon tarp in the center of the tent. The rain was pouring down as students who took part in the event gathered and selected at random which setting they would be sitting at during the event. The three seating arrangements were intended to represent the first, second, and third worlds present in 2008.

Of the 19 students in attendance, two were seated at the first world table, six at the second world and the remaining eleven at the third world. Food was distributed to exhibit a likely meal in the countries the tables represented: the first world tables received a full three course meal, the second world table received a hearty one course meal, and the third world tarp was given rice in cups – no cutlery and water. The evening's dismal weather gave the participants the ability to grasp what it is truly like to live in a hut with no furniture, no plates or cutlery, and no selection or variety of food.

Fabio Vogel, a pharmacy student, was seen sharing his food from the second world tables with those of the third world. When asked why he was in attendance, Vogel replied, "I'm from Brazil and I've witnessed poverty. I never want to see anyone hungry. When asked about his future plans of assistance, Vogel replied, "I would like to put a lot of money into Africa." Sophomore Francis Charlemagne was born in Haiti and saw much poverty when he resided there. "The next step is to take action and spread the word about world poverty and hunger. It hurts me deeply," said Charlemagne. "The goal for the evening is for everyone to go home angry, frustrated and hungry, and to realize that this is how people live for weeks, forever!" said Lisa Hancock, Director of Residential Life and Housing at NSU. With such a realization in mind, NSU hopes that awareness of these conditions, and actions taken against them, will increase.

**Step It Up Kickoff Rally**

**Bibin Mannattuparampil Staff Writer**

- Past elections have shown that only 44% of Davie's registered voters actually go to the polls. In an attempt to increase voter participation, NSU hosted its Step It Up Kickoff Rally on Jan. 24 to promote participation in the primary elections, which were quickly approaching. The event took place at Quad Thursday, where a number of speakers discussed some facts regarding Florida voting statistics. One of the topics discussed compared the differences between male and female voters which showed males well behind females in voter quantity. The current presidential race exemplifies the importance of making one's vote count the race has also demonstrated. The race has also demonstrated how the polls have been largely affected by youth. "Youth voters realize the need to make an active effort to rock the vote this year at the general election," said sophomore Lyndon Forte. "We need a change, and collectively we can make a difference."

After the pep talk from Meagan Elsberry and several other speakers, there was a performance by Chicks on a wall at the Indian Student Association performed a well-practiced Indian style dance which included props, original choreography, and Indian style outfits.

The event concluded with news that NSU will be offering shuttles which will pick up and drop off students at the University Center Circle on Tuesday, Jan. 29 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for anyone needing transportation to the polls for the Presidential Primary election. For those wishing to step it up to the polls, shuttles will be leaving at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 6 p.m. at your convenience, which means there is no excuse for registered voters to miss out voting. In order to reserve a spot on the shuttle be sure to contact Rachel Garbaj at garbaj@nova.edu with your full name, shuttle time you would like to be on, and phone number.
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Sharks on Five Game Winning Streak

Women's basketball off to best start in program history

Tim Coenraad Staff Writer

The NSU women's basketball team (12-5, 5-1 SSC) has won five straight games including two conference wins over the Saint Leo Lions (8-9, 1-4 SSC) on Jan. 19, and a home win against the Panthers of Florida Tech (16-7, 2-4 SSC) on Jan. 23. The Sharks struck early and often against the Lions, opening up on an 8-0 run from which Saint Leo would never recover. NSU held Saint Leo to 32.1 percent shooting while the Sharks shot 45.5 percent in the first half, but 14 NSU turnovers would keep the Lions within striking distance.

The second half saw two-time Player of the Week sophomore Stephanie Sarosi assert her dominance on the game, as 19 of her career high 29 points came in the second half. With Sarosi firing and the Sharks taking better care of the ball throughout the second half, NSU was able to coast to a 13 point victory 63-50. Sarosi added another double-double to her tally with 29 points and 10 rebounds. Senior Amber Bishko added 10 points and seven rebounds and freshman Abbie Tepe contributed four points, four assists and four steals.

For their second game straight the Sharks opened up the scoring, with senior Ashley Wilson draining a three point basket, and never relinquished their lead. Sarosi would once again prove to be too much to handle as she scored 18 first half points and grabbed nine rebounds. In the second half the Sharks led by as many as 29 points, courtesy of a solid bench contribution as NSU put up 25 bench points for the game. Sophomore LaShawanna Edwards grabbed 10 rebounds to go along with eight points and senior Christine Haber added nine points of her own.

The Sharks had three players in double figures during the game, Sarosi leading all scorers with 22, and Bishko and Wilson chipping in 10 points apiece. The Sharks' next home game will be on Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. as they take on the Buccaneers of Barry University.
The NSU men's basketball (7-9; 2-4 SSC) team escaped with a narrow overtime victory against the Lions of Saint Leo (7-8; 1-4 SSC) on Jan. 19, courtesy of a last second shot by junior Josh Wood, but were unable to contain the high scoring offense of the Florida Tech Panthers (13-3; 3-3 SSC) on Jan. 23.

Poor shooting in the opening half for the Sharks against the Lions saw them go into the second half down 30-29. NSU did not connect on any of their long-range attempts, going 0-11 on threes and shooting 45.8 percent from the field.

A 15 point first half by junior Tim Coenraad kept the Sharks in the hunt as well as holding Saint Leo to only 41.7 percent shooting.

The contest remained tight throughout a second half and the game would need an extra five minutes of overtime to determine a winner. The game remained close throughout, with 13 lead changes and 10 ties.

When Coenraad, the Sharks' leading scorer, fouled out early in overtime, senior Kevin Chester led the Sharks as he scored 12 of his 14 points in the second half and in overtime.

NSU was able to capitalize on the Lions' poor free-throw shooting in overtime as SLU went 4-12 from the charity stripe. The game eventually boiled down to the Sharks having one last chance to win as they trailed by two points.

After a brilliant screen by freshman Lemar Byer, Wood was able to get free and knock down a three pointer with 1.8 seconds remaining to seal a much needed victory for the Sharks.

Coenraad finished with a game high of 23 points on 10-14 shooting and a team high of seven rebounds, while Wood scored seven of his 11 points in overtime.

The Sharks then faced a Florida Tech team with one of the highest scoring offenses in the nation, and early on the Sharks found themselves on the wrong end of a 15-2 run.

NSU fought back with a 16-3 run of their own, tying the game at 18 apiece. However, the Panthers capitalized on 15 first half points and went on to win 72-60.

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Stephanie Sarosi Named Women's Basketball SSC Player of the Week
Tranell Mesa Sports Editor

NSU is more than proud to acknowledge that not only has the women's basketball team been achieving new heights in the win column this 2007-2008 season, sophomore student-athlete Stephanie Sarosi has obtained recognition throughout the Sunshine State Conference as the SSC Women's Basketball Player of the Week for the second time this season as a result of her outstanding performance on the basketball court while defeating both St. Leo University and Rollins College.

Upon collecting 19-points while playing the Tar of Rollins and posting her career high at 29-points against St. Leo's Lions, Sarosi ended up averaging 24 points along with 0.5 assists, and taking advantage of her commanding height by grabbing 7.5 rebounds and swatting 4.5 blocks on the week.

With Sarosi's help in addition to the Sharks' die-hard effort, the women's basketball team is quickly making history in their program.

Introducing New NSU Softball Assistant Coach Robin Martin
Tranell Mesa Sports Editor

NSU's Assistant Softball Coach, has recently resigned from her position in order to take up a career opportunity by becoming Head Coach at Flagler College. With the Spring sports season quickly approaching, Head Coach Lesa Bonee has made the decision to seek a replacement for her, and with posing as Auburn's Student-Athletic Director, she has now committed herself to the Shark family.

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**Cloverfield Tears Down Filmmaking Boundaries**

Stefani Ruino Staff Writer

In the age of psychological thrillers and slasher-films, it’s hard to believe that mov-ies like Godzillas, King Kong or The Wolf Man once packed movie theater seats and scared people. With the advent of “creature features” now long past, it is understandable why some filmmakers might want to bring them back. J.J. Abrams, the co-creator of the hit show *Lost*, is known for his eccentric and unique personality, so it should come as no surprise that he happens to be one of those filmmakers.

*Cloverfield*, the newest and possibly the most “bad-ass” creature feature, is the brain-child of Abrams, who claims he got the idea while visiting a toy store in Japan. He told Comic- Con that America needed its own monster, one that was “insane and intense” and not “adorable” like King Kong.

Much like his show *Lost*, *Cloverfield’s* theme and plot were kept under wraps for the last year and they didn’t even release the name of the film until a couple of weeks ago. There was a lot of build-up for the film on the Internet when Paramount launched its viral marketing campaign for the nameless feature, which led to the launch of tens of web sites dedicated to decoding the film’s secrets.

Last weekend finally saw the release of the elusive *Cloverfield*. The film is set in, of course, New York City, where an unknown monster surfaces and wreaks havoc on the city. Unlike most monster films, *Cloverfield* is shot using hand-held video cameras to create the illusion that regular civilians are documenting the monster’s attack, which proves to be one of the most original and thought-provoking filming tactics one has ever seen.

*Cloverfield* begins at the going-away party for Robert Hawkins (Michael Stahl-David) during which his best friend, Hudon Platt (T.J. Miller) is filming the party as a going-away present. When the lights go out temporarily, the whole group gathers on the top of his apartment building and witnesses a giant explosion in the middle of the city. With Platt documenting every move, every scream, every Injury, and every terrified look, Hawkins, Platt, and three others try to escape the city alive.

The way *Cloverfield* is filmed makes it virtually impossible to pick out which actor has the best performance and conveys the most emotion on-screen. All of the actors and actresses in the film did an incredible job and should be commended somehow for completing the amazing difficul-task they were all handed. The film is unverting to begin with, but their screams and terror made the film much scarier than expected. The whole thing and the acting make you feel as if this monster actually attacked New York City.

As previously mentioned, the film is quite disconcerting. Abrams plays on that post-9/11 anxiety of New York City getting attacked very well and uses it to create a more intense and interesting film. *Cloverfield* is known for fans of creature features and those interested in seeing some truly innovative filmmaking. Otherwise, *Cloverfield* will seri­ously scar most people or, as reported by some viewers, give movie-goers motion-sickness.

“Anxiety Manual”

By Racquel Fagon

Continued from last week

“Bobbie!” I jolted out of my sleep and my eyes roamed my darkened bedroom, earnestly looking for something….something. I caught myself and realized I was dreaming. I quickly un­tangled the sheets and got out of bed to go to the bath­room as a wave of nausea suddenly came over me. It was the day of the party and everything was set. I had ordered the cake from Harry’s Pastries the day before; it was a lay­ered chocolate cake with strawberry filling (Carroll’s favorite fruit) and “Happy Birthday, Carroll!” written in white butter icing on the top. I baked chicken and basted it with a homemade barbeque sauce. I made my infamous sweet and sour chicken and fried sweet plantains. I cooked some white rice and made sweet and sour potato salad. Chips and dip were also to be served, along with tossed salad and fried tofu rings. I had asked my mom the day before to buy some beer and vodka for the party before she came home from work. I guess my mom got someone to work at her counter at Macy’s, because she came home earlier than usual and with gifts in tow: a new dress for the party for herself, a pair of gold earrings, an adorable black, padder for me (she said my cleavage needed assis­tance). “Bobbie, sweetie, you’re a beautiful girl,” she said, as she handed me the bra and the earrings. “These, honey, will make you more beautiful.” Mom knew I hated jewelry; it made me feel like a Christmas tree in summer. “A bra will make me more beautiful?” I looked at her incredulously.

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They could solve nature’s biggest mystery if they only had a clue.

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“Mom, did you drink the vodka on your way home? Is that why you're all tense? Vodka in the first place?”

Mom's eyes roamed the room, as she walked towards her bedroom. I ended up asking Carroll to go to the liquor store and then rush to the Hilltop Hotel, which was about eight miles away from us, to pick up his best friend and three other doctors. She estimated that he would be back at the party at about nine o'clock.

Until that time I decorated the apartment. I moved the television set and the sofa to the dining area and hung blue, purple, and white balloons from the ceiling in bunches, creating a beehive. I hung blue, purple, and white balloons from the ceiling in bunches, creating a beehive. I even bought a disco ball and I hung it on the wall next to the patio entrance, sipping a dark brown liquid from a plastic cup and lifting the two girls: a white lady with bleached blonde hair, stuffed into a cone, skin-tight leather skirt and a black spaghetti strapped top with matching neon stilettos, squawked away on her cell phone and nibbled a cheese cube, the other four were young men busy with their own affairs. He estimated that he would be back at the party at about nine o'clock.

As I was about to get into their psychology, Bob Marley's song "Is This Love?" suddenly went low and my mom's voice caressed our ears.

"Our attention, everyone, Hi." She seemed to smile with each person in the room, as she sashayed her hips to the left, then to the right, with her right hand fixing her hair. “Thank you for coming to our little soiree. Bobbie, my beautiful daughter, and I, are happy all of you could make it." Her eyes found me and told me to get my butt beside her. “Our speculates her case in converter; we are having this party for... Carroll..." she looked around for someone to acknowledge who she was babbling about; no one did. "Course you don’t know him... silly me. Anyway, he should be here around nine. That’s about twenty minutes from now, so mix and mingle and ah... have fun!" She then giggled and put her hand out for my hand, as I approached her. “This is my beautiful Bobbie. She planned and organized all of this." She was putting me on display for this ridiculous gathering, maybe this was the reason for my earlier anxiety, my body was warming me. "So, have fun, everybody... enjoy the food and the music... and get your hand around my waist and squeezed... so I giggled too and said hesitantly, “Yes, please have fun and eat as much as you want.”

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Editor’s Note
Michael Bergbauer
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* When you have to write something under the same vein every week (coug cough, you’re reading this right now!), it’s not too difficult to fall into a slump. In search of inspiration, I did something I’ve never done in my three and a half years at NSU. I went to a basketball home game.

To be honest, I don’t know why I waited so long. I guess it was just never something I’ve thought about or even considered. And I didn’t think about it often because I was never a fan of basketball. However, the game was pretty fun. There was a lot of basketball action, a free-throw contest and giveaways. However, the Shark Tank Shirtless was empty, which made it kind of intimidating to let rip with a hoisterous “Whoo-hoo! Go Sharks!”. Despite this, the shark and foamy fingers are like an excuse to get rowdy, even if you’re the only one in the section.

NSU Athletics is initiating a program to give out prizes to Finatics who attend a lot of games. Hopefully, that will inspire a bigger turnout at these games. The Shark’s need the fans, err, Finatics. Go Sharks!

Also, my best wishes to Ross Allsop who took a pretty bad spill. Get well soon Ross.

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On The Scene
Kristine Bellenza
Current Affairs Editor

What issue is the most important to you as a voter?

“Race and gender should not be an issue. I think that as the U.S. being one of the top countries, we should break the glass ceiling.”
Amber Taylor Senior, Biology

“Investing in non-fossil fuel alternatives because we should have been doing that ten years ago.”
Fred Auguste Senior, Undecided

“Social security since we’re not going to get it.”
Zain Chaid Sophomore, Biology

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Cat Power's teenage infatuation with Bob Dylan and how that infatuation slowly turned into something more like a romantic affection for Dylan's songs, and not so much for the man himself. The song is sung in Dylan's conversationalist form and is funny, sweet, and extremely charismatic.

Although some of the tracks on Jukebox show how Cat Power has grown in the past few years, she doesn't work quite as well as her previous cover album, The Covers Record. The Covers Record introduces listeners to a new side of Cat Power through her interpretation of the songs, unlike Jukebox, which really only shows off how great she can sing. However, for a cover record in general, Jukebox is definitely one of the best out there.

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