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THE STEEL WOODS RETURN WITH POWERFUL SOPHOMORE RELEASE
OLD NEWS DUE OUT JANUARY 18TH, 2019

ACCLAIMED BAND RELEASES THOUGHT PROVOKING TITLE TRACK "OLD NEWS"
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*"Though there is not a shortage of Southern rock bands, few have the edge and darkness
The Steel Woods bring to the table..." - Saving Country Music*

NASHVILLE, TN - *Old News*, the new album from Nashville based southern-inspired rock band The Steel Woods is set for a January 18th release via Woods Music/Thirty Tigers. Centered around the soulful and commanding vocals of lead singer Wes Bayliss and the instrumental prowess of guitarist Jason (Rowdy) Cope, *Old News* makes a statement in the continuing evolution of The Steel Woods as a unit and the Bayliss/Cope combo as songwriters, something their 2017 debut *Straw In The Wind* only scratched the surface of.

Over the last two years The Steel Woods have built a loyal and passionate fan-base through their road warrior touring mentality and extraordinary live shows. Whether headlining or supporting artists such as Dwight Yoakam, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Jamey Johnson, Cody Jinks, Miranda Lambert, Blackberry Smoke and many more, The Steel Woods consistently convert audiences with each performance. **Click [here](#) for a full schedule of The Steel Woods tour dates.**

The themes reflected on *Old News* range from perseverance ("Wherever You Are", "All of These Years"), to unity ("Blind Lover") to hope and resilience in the stand out title track "Old News". Their belief in finding common ground through shared life experiences and a musical connection was inspired by the conversations the band had with people they met on the road.

As with their acclaimed debut album, The Steel Woods again included a Black Sabbath cover ("Changes"), but also felt the need to acknowledge some important artists we have recently lost. The four tribute tracks honor Tom Petty ("Southern Accents"), Merle Haggard ("Are The Good Times Really Over (I Wish A Buck Was Still Silver)"), their dear friend Wayne Mills ("One Of These Days") and Gregg Allman ("Whipping Post").

Old News was recorded at Echo Mountain Studio (Asheville, NC) and Blackbird Studio (Nashville, TN) and features band members, Wes Bayliss (guitar/vocals/keys/mandolin/harmonica), Jason Cope (guitars), Johnny Stanton (bass) and Jay Tooke (drums/percussion). The Steel Woods are a band steeped in Southern culture with a modern approach and powerful intensity in live performance. Though their style is unapologetically Southern Rock and Rock, just pull back the layers to find lyrics that feature passionate storytelling and messages that resonate.

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THE STEEL WOODS TOUR DATES

December 6 - **Clifton Park, NY** - Upstate Concert Hall *^
December 7 - **Baltimore, MD** - Rams Head Live! *
December 8 - **Philadelphia, PA** - The Fillmore Philadelphia *
December 12 - **Stroudsburg, PA** - Sherman Theater *^
December 13-14 - **Pittsburgh, PA** - Stage AE *^
December 15 - **Akron, OH** - Goodyear Theater *^
January 6-12 - **Tampa, FL** - Southern Rock Cruise 2019
January 18-19 - **Nashville, TN** - 3rd & Lindsley #
January 23 - **Oxford, MS** - Proud Larry's #
January 24 - **Athens, GA** - 40 Watt Club
January 25 - **Birmingham, AL** - Zydeco #
January 26 - **Nashville, TN** - Grand Ole Opry at Ryman Auditorium
January 31 - February 1 - **Chattanooga, TN** - Songbirds North #
February 2 - **Bowling Green, KY** - Warehouse at Mt. Victor #
February 7 - **Columbus, OH** - The Basement #
February 8 - **Covington, KY** - Madison Theater #
February 9 - **Asheville, NC** - The Grey Eagle #
February 14 - **Cleveland OH** - Beachland Ballroom #
February 15 - **Peoria, IL** - Crusen's Farmington #
February 21 - **Flint, MI** - The Machine Shop #
February 22 - **Flora, IL** - Johnny & June's #@
February 23 - **Indianapolis, IN** - The Hi-Fi #
July 20 - **Peoria, IL** - Tailgate N' Tallboys 2019 #
July 27 - **Maryville, TN** - The Shed ^

* - With Cody Jinks

^ - With Tennessee Jet

- With Josh Card

@ - With Channing Wilson