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**TURNPIKE TROUBADOURS MAKE FIRST-EVER
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ON THE COUNTRY CHART**

“One listen to their brand-new CD, ‘Goodbye Normal Street’ and you see why the band’s barroom success has led to major commercial appeal.”
– AOL The Boot

Nashville, TN – Oklahoma quintet, Turnpike Troubadours have made their first-ever *Billboard Top 200* debut with their new album *Goodbye Normal Street* (Bossier City/Thirty Tigers). *Goodbye Normal Street*, the group’s third independent release, reached the #57 spot on the chart following the May 8 release. *Goodbye Normal Street* also debuted at #14 on the *Billboard Country Chart*, another first for Turnpike Troubadours. Their current single, “Gin Smoke & Lies” is currently holding the #3 position on the Texas Music Chart, while the band continues to live up to their road warrior reputation with tour dates running throughout the Midwest.

Goodbye Normal Street has been very well-received by the press, with coverage ranging from *The Wall Street Journal* to *MTV Hive* to *MSN Music* to *The San Antonio Express News*. *The Aquarian Weekly* said of the album, “*The whole disc takes the listener through a rollercoaster of emotions... The passion on this record is palpable.*” *Blurt* said, “... the Turnpike Troubadours have evolved from the hard-bitten road warriors their handle implies into a band of musical journeymen of a distinctly blue-collar variety.” *AOL The Boot* stated, “When a band puts on a killer live show, the intricacies of their music don’t always translate to a recorded album. Not so with the Turnpike Troubadours.”

The 11-songs on *Goodbye Normal Street* feature an intricate blend of roots rock, folk, raw country and bluegrass, sprinkled with pop sensibilities. However, the Troubadours’ strengths are in the quality of their songwriting and their incredible live shows, which is why their fan base has grown steadily since their inception. Their 2009 release, *Diamonds & Gasoline* sold over 30,000 copies independently and the band has been selling out shows, playing to over 1000 people on many nights.

For Turnpike Troubadours tour dates, go to: <http://turnpiketroubadours.com/pg/tour-dates>

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