Crowns I think of you when August falls and children turn their daisies into crowns / I think of you when August falls and children turn their daisies into crowns / I went chasing after monarchs and I found you to cast my net around / And now I think of you when August falls and children turn their daisies into crowns / You were singing for your supper in the springtime when I asked to come inside / You were singing for your supper in the springtime when I asked to come inside / I was looking for the summer or a mother or a lover or the sky / You were singing for your supper in the springtime when I asked to come inside / Bread and roses in your kitchen and the corner with the broken violin / Bread and roses in your kitchen and the corner with the broken violin / Queen Anne's lace in the ditches and the smell of eucalyptus on your skin / The scent would set me sleepin' and when I woke I cried to dream again / How dizzy all the child's dreams / How pretty all the laurel greens / How easy all the child's dreams / How heavy fall the laurel greens / I always fall for heroes like a black stone to the bottom of the sea / I always fall for heroes like a black stone to the bottom of the sea / Leaving daisy petals floating on the surface where my boat used to be / No, I never mean to dive so deep but anyone would love a fall that free

> Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – guitars, mandolin, dobro Tracy Grammer – fiddle Rich Higdon – upright bass Michael August – drums

DIAMONDS Living in this little town, most times it suits me fine / I've got my radio, I've got my rhymes / His big bed and this little town, they've suited me just fine / But I get to feeling lonely in my mind from time to time / But you TURN MY LONESOME INTO SOMETHING FINE AND SHINING / YOU TURN MY STONES INTO DIAMONDS / All them gaggling girls, well, they get me every time / With their gold and their gossip and their wine / That giggling gaggle of girls gets me every time / They make pebbles of my pearls, they turn my dollars into dimes / Chorus / You live beside the waters where the ships and storm clouds sail / And I know you've seen the belly of the whale / You watch those waves roll in, you keep humming through the hail / From

your cupola in Nineveh you guide me through the gale / Chorus

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – gut string guitar, mandolin Rich Higdon – upright hass

BICENTENNIAL I hear they lit some fireworks / On the bicentennial / On the bicentennial / Up by Manistee / Yeah your parents lit some fireworks / On the bicentennial / In that little blue tent and that's how you came to be / And I think America / Found its way into your blood / It made its way into your blood / That night by Manistee / And I think America / Is as rich as the red clay mud / After a springtime flood way down in Tennessee / A land so green and gracious, it makes you want it all / Beneath a sky so spacious, it makes you feel so small / Well, I knew boys like you in high school / They were all so beautiful / So sweet and beautiful / When they were feeling brave / And all those boys I knew in high school / Could be as mean as a baited bull / As loaded as a freighter's hull in Lake Michigan waves / I think you're shoutin' from that high cliff because you're sadder than you seem / I think you hate to see the sun lift because it wakes you from your dream / And now you act so holy / In this age of the millennial / In these days of the plentiful / Before the hurricane / But we both know you're feeling lonely / Watching all those dark clouds roll / Over the mountaintop, toward the fruited plain / You of the dark and shining sea / You with the breaking heart, 'tis of thee, of thee I sing / So maybe you should light some fireworks / In your king-sized bed / Beneath the quilted spread / That your mother made / Yeah, find your girl and light some fireworks / You can lay down your sweet, sweet head / Shine some light in the night above this home of the brave / Shine some light in the night above this home of the brave / Oh, shine some light in the night above this home of the brave

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal
Eric Lewis – guitars, mandolin, dobro
Tracy Grammer – fiddle
Rich Higdon – upright bass
Michael August – drums
Claudia Russell – harmony vocal

ORDINARY BAND You are not the handsomest man that I've ever seen / I am not the happiest now that I've ever been / You've never quite been the type makes me weak in the knees / No, you make me strong as Lake Michigan and as tall as the trees / I had been watering rosebushes outside of town / I had been scratching at seeds that were still in the ground / You were a dandelion flower, suddenly there / As strong as a weed and as light as a wish on the air / OH MY DARLING, IF WE'RE LUCKY A LIFETIME IS LONG / IF WE'RE LUCKY, WE CANNOT BELIEVE HOW QUICKLY IT'S GONE / EVERY ORDINARY DAY, I'll wear this ordinary band / We'll go from dust to dust hand in hand  $/\ I$ remember that day that you stood hanging clothes on the line / Weathervane creaking above and the cornfields behind / You smiled so sweet at the sun as it started to die / And the light fell so bright on your back as you led me inside / Chorus / Every ordinary day till we walk those Jordan River sands / We'll go from dust to dust hand in hand



Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – gut string guitar Tracy Grammer – fiddle Rory Hoffman – accordion Rich Higdon – upright bass Nathan Hosner – harmony vocal

THE BALLAD OF THE LAZY SUSAN AND THE DUMBWAITER Said the lazy susan to the dumbwaiter / You're the only friend I've got in this town / Why don't you come and take me dancing later / You can spin me round and round and round / Well the cook has got a ladle and the chef has got a lady / The baker's always whisking eggs away / If you were crazy for this lazy susan, maybe / You'd swirl me like a fancy French rosé / You just go up and down and up and down and up and then back down / Jumping every time you hear the ding / When you gonna learn this world's direction is around / When you gonna break that string / Well the flatware and the spatulas are always spoonin' / I'm lonesome as a top without its spin / Won't you take some pity on this lazy susan / And twist me like the lemon twists the gin / You just go up and down and up and down and up and then back down / Bouncing like a broken Cuisinart / If you took a chance and took to twirling me around / I'd get to work and you'd get smart / Said the lazy susan to the dumbwaiter / You're

the only friend I've got in this town / Why don't you come and take me dancing later / You can spin me round and round and round / Why don't you come and take me dancing later / You can spin me round and round and round

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – guitar Rory Hoffman – accordion, mandolin, whistling Rich Higdon – upright bass

SNAKES I was too sad to stay at home so I went walking / Too cold to take a walk and so I drove / Out across the county line, out beneath the icy sky / Out into the twenty-five below / I don't think I've heard your voice since April / But lately there's not much that I recall / It's been snowing like the great white sea, snowing like to bury me / December blew in like a cannonball / Now I'M SEEING SNAKES IN THE DEAD TIRES / Out here on the highway / Dragons IN THE CLOUDS UP IN THE BLUE / I'M NOT SEEING ANY SIGN OF YOU / Prom nights in the suburbs drove us crazy / All those dresses fitting tighter than tattoos / We never wound up finding time for dancing / I only ever wound up more in love with you / Oh you know I loved you like a sister / I swear I never wanted something more / Than your tiny car, those big wide streets, singing in the summer heat / The night had never felt so bright before / Chorus / If there's a place for feeling lonely it's Wisconsin / All those little bars like angels in the snow / If there's a place that I would fly to it's wherever you are now / Wherever we were all those years ago / Chorus / I was too sad to stay at home so I went walking

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – acoustic and electric guitars Rich Higdon – upright bass Michael August – drums Amanda Rigell – harmony vocal

LOMBARDI AVENUE There's a snowstorm on the way tonight / There's shanties on the bay / The Leo Frigo's out, but I'm not driving anyway / The little houses shining bright in the clean Wisconsin cold / Their lights are red and blue and white and green and gold / This morning at the Farm and Fleet / I bought a warmer coat / December came on cold this year, and it isn't letting go / But there's heat tonight on these tiny streets, the town turning like a wheel / Whole city rushing like a river toward the field / This OLD TOWN IS WEARING THIN, THIS OLD TOWN IS LOOKING TIRED / MOST DAYS I FEEL THIN AND TIRED TOO / BUT NOT ON Sundays on Lombardi Avenue / My dad left me this little house / And his father's gun / And these seats in section 402, row 181 / And when I feel alone sometimes I think of him and I / Eating hot dogs as we watch those footballs fly / Chorus / Once a week it's nice to know who the good guys are / Once a week it's nice to feel alive / Once a week it's nice to sit beneath the stars / In that big Wisconsin sky / There's a snowstorm on the way tonight / Shanties on the bay / The Leo Frigo's out, but I'm not driving anyway / I'm just walking for a little while 'cross this good old patch of ground / Moon rising up with old Curly looking down / Chorus

> Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – guitar, mandolin Rich Higdon – upright bass

Young Men Young men in this town, they don't last too long / They tend to drown in the waters that they love / Going out drinking, driving their boat across the ice / Running beneath a starry night, thinking of a song / Thinking of a song / Those boys live for summer, it's like honey here / It flows sweet and slow and golden through the fields / Drinking whiskey in the wheat fields / Playing with the dusty barroom bands / Taking the earth into their hands, they feel it spinning like a wheel / Spinning like a wheel / Oh they dance to beat the ANGEL BAND / BLOWING ON THEIR HARPS ALL NIGHT LONG / BLOWING ON THEIR HARPS TILL THEY ARE GONE / Sickles in the corn, babies being born / All the boulders on the hills outside of town / The sun in all its swollen red / Lovers in their creaking wooden beds / Leaves and snow and sleds all find there's a time for falling down / There's a time for falling down / Chorus / Chorus

> Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – steel string, gut string, and electric guitars Rory Hoffman – harmonica, Wurlitzer Rich Higdon – upright bass Michael August – drums Amanda Rigell – harmony vocal

Morning Road I set out on a morning road / I set my teeth against the chill / When I found that I had lost my way / I set my sights on the homeward hill / And I cried home, home, home / Home, home, home, all day / Tell me are the things I learn so far from you / Worth what I forget when I'm away / I set out on a morning road / I set my stone into the stream / In hopes that it would learn to float / I left it for a hundred years / And never it became a boat / It just cried home, home, home / Home, home, all day / Tell me are the things I learn so far from you / Worth what I forget when I'm away / I set my stone into the stream / I walked into the desert dry / And waited for those clouds to burst / When the rains made that river wide / I found that I had loved my thirst / And I sang home, home, home / Home, home, all day / Tell me are the things I learn so far from you / Worth what I forget when I'm away / I walked into the desert dry / I set out on a morning road / I set my sights upon the hill / I set out for a little while / When the night comes I'll be walking still

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal Eric Lewis – gut string and slide guitars Rich Higdon – upright bass, shaker

TAPESTRY Why do you ask when I'm so young / How I believe my days will run / Well, I can tell you I'm afraid of all the dark I see / The way folks fall before their time / The way coyotes call at the treeline / The way things are, and the way they cease to be / OH MY LOVE, WILL YOU STAY / Oh my love, will you stay / Oh my LOVE, WILL YOU STAY / OH MY LOVE / The summer heat, the wooden beds / September wheat, the village dead / All the kindness in the kitchens and the corner store / How you whistle in the yard / All the thistle and the chard / Fly as fast as children out the door / Chorus / If you could ask me when I'm old / How do you turn the days to gold / How do you make a friend of time as he goes walking by / Well, looking back it's hard to say / Just how day leads on to day / But I can tell you how the light looks in July / Chorus / So when the sight

falls from her eyes / When the light falls from the sky / When the wind leaves all that summer spread across the lawn / Maybe the lucky ones can see / A bright and ragged tapestry / The way it hangs there in the air / Just like smoke or like a prayer / The way it shines / And the way that it is gone / Chorus / Chorus

Katie Dahl – guitar, vocal
Eric Lewis – gut string and steel string guitars
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