

# Wal-Mart bans Sheryl Crow's album over lyrics saying it sells guns to kids

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Wal-Mart Stores Inc. says it will not carry the new album by Grammy winner Sheryl Crow because one song implies that the retailer sells guns to children.

"Selling a record implying behavior that is against all we stand for is something we just could not profit from," said Wal-Mart spokesman Dale Ingram.

The album, "Sheryl Crow," is scheduled for a Sept. 24 release by A&M Records. Wal-Mart is a top seller of albums and record industry executives said the ban could reduce Crow's sales significantly.

The album is a follow-up to "Tuesday Night Music Club." A single from the album, "All I Wanna Do," won Crow the 1995 Grammy Awards for best pop vocal performance and record of the year. She also was named best new artist.

Crow told A&M executives last week that she was worried her sister and her friends would have a hard time buying the album if the local Wal-Mart doesn't carry it, the Los Angeles Times reported today.

The lyrics in question, from a song called "Love is a Good Thing," read: "Watch out sister, watch out brother, watch our children as they kill each other with a gun they bought at the Wal-Mart discount stores."

Wal-Mart sells guns by catalog but has strict policies against selling them to minors, Ingram said.

The Bentonville, Ark.-based chain

sold guns in its stores until 1994. That policy changed after the company was sued by the family of a Texas man who allegedly killed his parents with a gun he bought at a Wal-Mart even though he indicated on a federal form that he had been treated for mental problems.

Wal-Mart and other large discount chains have refused to stock albums in the past when they deemed the lyrics too violent or sexually explicit. Crow's may be the first album barred for targeting the store in its lyrics.

Asked whether Crow's lyrics were fair to Wal-Mart if the company prohibits sales of guns to minors, A&M Records Chairman Al Cafaro said: "It's difficult for me to answer the question of what's fair. They sell guns, and I'm sure some of those guns have found their way into the hands of people who shouldn't have them. That's a reality."



**Various Artists**  
"Tales from the Crypt Presents Bordello of Blood" Soundtrack  
Mercury Records  
Grade: B+

With the soundtrack to the first "Tales from the Crypt" film having the killer single from Filter, "Hey Man, Nice Shot," the soundtrack for the second film had a lot to live up to.

That's one reason why the second album really doesn't try to be a big production with a hit single. It's packed full of music that actually fits the movie, even if it was a little old.

Sweet's "Ballroom Blitz" was previously in one of the "Wayne's World" films, but Thin Lizzy's classic "Jailbreak" certainly wasn't.

The soundtrack is better if you've seen the movie. "Ballroom Blitz" will evoke a specific scene in the movie where Miller runs with a super soaker full of holy water.

For the most part, the "Bordello of Blood" soundtrack is full of some of the loudest rock, from Anthrax doing the title track to Cinderella's "Love's Got Me Doin' Time."

Then there's the R&B rock tune by Humble Pie "30 Days In The Hole" and the Scorpions (yep, them) with "Still Loving You" in their usual style. And it all fits.

—Cliff Hicks



**Dig**  
"Defenders of the Universe"  
Radioactive Records  
Grade: B-

Dig is an interesting band when listened to in moderation, which seems to be their biggest problem.

"Defenders of the Universe," their latest album, is an interesting mix of Spacehog, Buffalo Tom and the Goo Goo Dolls, with 12 songs of rock and smug lyrics.

Usually, these two blend too much to hear a lot of one or the other. On occasion, though, the influence is really obvious. "E.L.O." is a good song, but it would've fit perfectly on "A Boy Named Goo" and the song "Whose Side You On?" could be Spacehog b-side.

Dig does have a good power pop feel, but this album suffers from blend syndrome.

But, everyone has a few standout tracks. The gleefully bitter "Bashing In Your Head" is a fabulous change of pace from all the sad love songs that are mopey.

With "Defenders of the Universe," Dig proves that while they haven't released a great album yet, they've released two good ones, and they'll keep trying. I look forward to hearing them.

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