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NOTE: The letter Y is not a part of any answer, full or vowelless

Across

1. Rhyming phrase that highlights one of the benefits of having sex with women with big butts

15. Quote from "When Harry Met Sally..." said by an old lady in response to hearing Meg Ryan fake an orgasm

16. The largest man-made object in orbit around the Earth, with "The"

17. Exchanges for something of equal value, casually

18. Delta or United

19. Crossword-friendly architect Eero

20. First name of country star Tritt or last name of country star Randy

22. One of two reserve components (the other being its "Army" counterpart) of the United States Armed Forces

28. Popular clique

30. Newly-introduced element that alters the situation in a significant way, in modern lingo

31. Titular floral body art in a Tennessee Williams play

33. Contestant from the 50th state in a certain beauty pageant

34. "Just lay off, I need some time to think"

37. Big name in cowboy hats

39. The works of Yeats, Swift, Joyce, et al.

41. When Rosencrantz and Guildenstern first appear, in "Hamlet"

42. Ionic compound used as a preservative in wine

44. Big round butts

45. Back door used by delivery or service personnel, or sexual slang for "the back door" (which sort of dupes a word in 17-Across. Oops! At least they're symmetrical right?)

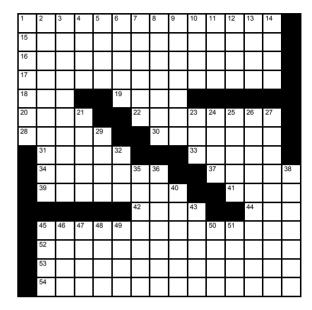
52. Prom King and Queen, perhaps

53. Its ratification was one of the goals of the women's suffrage movement

54. Name for a catastrophic (but fairly slowmoving and oh-so-sweet) 1919 flood in the capital of Massachusetts

Down

1. Condition resulting from long-term dietary deficiencies or undernourishment



2. Old analog device for capturing audio on tape

3. Voicings of simultaneously-sounded groups of musical notes in which the root note is not in the bass part

4. Winning slot machine numbers

5. Tutorials

6. "You'll have to solve this puzzle on your own, I'm not going to help"

7. Serious software glitch that's certain to cause a crash or even the "blue screen of death"

8. Pulling an agent off a case and putting them on another one, say

9. Purple-suited superhero whose ring leaves a skull imprint on bad guys that he punches

10. Robe worn on a lazy Sunday, maybe

11. Relating to periodic cycles

12. Post-Russian Revolution but pre-1991

13. Occupies, as a poltergeist does

14. Clever or inventive

21. Type of waveform that gets its name from its resemblance to the serrations on a woodworker's cutting tool

23. On life support and unresponsive

24. Quaint term for drinking establishments

25. Descriptor for some gospels that are part of the New Testament apocrypha, that comes

from the Greek word for "knowledge"

26. It's more of a privilege, really, in countries like Canada that have fairly strict gun laws

27. Puts in the spotlight

29. Newspaper opinion piece

32. Performs cunnilingus on, slangily

35. It's hammered through a certain good luck charm into a hoof

36. Neologism for the superfluous diacritical marks seen in the names of many heavy bands, also called "röck döts"

38. Anchor on television

40. Puts a new coat of lacquer on, say

43. Bests in the pool, as Ian Thorpe would (apparently this is a real word)

45. Name for London's subway system and an outdated slang term for television

46. "The Aviator" subject Howard

47. Become sparse, as a crowd

48. Sitcom about the Connor family, which helped propel John Goodman to fame

49. Formal pronouncement

50. Tidied up and made orderly

51. Sounds made by hard landings