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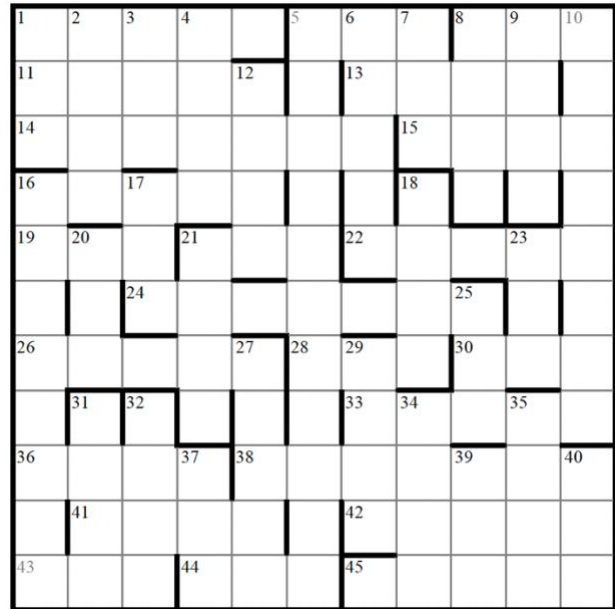
I have written this puzzle to honor wordsmix, who has come all the way from the United Kingdom to attend Con.

For twenty words in this puzzle, you must add a letter before it will fit in the grid. In some cases, you will receive help from crossing words – including three grid entries that are clued by wordplay only.

Beyond those three grid entries, clue answers also include five proper nouns, two abbreviations, one hyphenated word, and one two-word phrase. Altered grid entries include three proper nouns and one abbreviation.

ACROSS

1. Draws a veil around bar
5. Isopod has gotten wet
8. Loud noise before morning
11. Aching, head-over-heels love
13. Discussed evergreen shrubbery
14. Exploit plastic coating lacking finish
15. Nation's leader, person of great influence, going around capital of West Germany
16. Good reputation of conservative Communist ...
19. ... before assassin's first attempt
21. Athlete holding permit
22. Luxury in sex trade
24. A follower from an earlier time is less cautious
26. Await termination, under pressure
28. Government documents humanity's savage instincts
30. Moon in opposition
33. Hang English elder
36. First aid facility – that is where Billy Blanks was born
38. Speaks of society led by poor taste



41. River in diocese is dry
42. Shed nearby beginning to go
43. Thus, in short order
44. Include a departure date
45. Rested at far end of the gorge

DOWN

1. Liner to cruise Atlantic Ocean
2. Exercise, so to speak
3. Turn in anarchist
4. In the midst of revolting, "Get over it!" is your power to effect change
5. In the lead convertible, the lord sits
6. Formerly occupying prison cell
7. Lead quietly back
8. Child's corpse, not having died
9. Common soldier at around quarter of nine
10. Wizard takes on time, creating a way to make time seem to pass more quickly
12. Vicious one's last party
16. Sent back pastel packages containing pills

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| <p>17. Rip off band, caught up in rhythm and blues</p> <p>18. Sharp tools making horizontal and vertical lines</p> <p>20. Building a platform across chasm</p> <p>21. Left with one!</p> <p>23. Ocean at the foot of Rhode Island city</p> <p>25. Creek Indian, in pursuit of <i>Custer's Last Stand's</i> central character</p> <p>27. Does poorly after day on drugs</p> | <p>29. Kid overturned Indian dish</p> <p>31. Roughly removing lid from trunk</p> <p>32. Believer embraces falsehood</p> <p>34. Philosophers to Athens found here!</p> <p>35. Adventure story sounds like a joke</p> <p>37. Endless space brought about time</p> <p>39. The one in front of VW close to you beginning to unravel</p> <p>40. Observe scene regularly!</p> |
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