

# local news

## Boots, breeches, cuffs and hoses

Portland Uniform Weekend 3 is coming to Portland the second week in January

by Andy Mangels

Attention! If your fantasies involve soldiers in basic training, soot-covered firefighters, or cops with boots and handcuffs, mark off your calendar for Portland Uniform Weekend 3, Jan. 13 to 16, 1995. That's the weekend that the city will be awash with men and women in uniform, thanks to the efforts of *In Uniform: The Magazine* and the American Uniform Association.

Portland Uniform Weekend 3 will include a variety of events. On Friday, Jan. 13, a uniform meet and greet at the Dirty Duck Pub, 439 NW Third Ave., will take place from 9 pm to 11 pm, with snacks and welcomes for weekend attendees. A Clippers hair-cutting/shaving party and uniformed play party will follow, from 11 pm to 2 am at a location to be announced.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, attendees will be able to engage in a spirited game of paintball at City Paintball, a downtown indoor paintball field at 631 NE Grand Ave. Situated on two city blocks, the field offers protection from snow and rain, but not flying paintballs!

Saturday evening, a uniform dinner will take place in the private banquet room of The House of Louie, 331 NW Davis St., from 7 to 9 pm. Following the dinner, the festivities will continue at the PDX Eagle, 1300 W Burnside St., with the grand uniform party. The party will run from 9 pm to 1 am, with drink specials and surprise activities throughout the evening.

Sunday morning, Jan. 15, the Cascade Bears will host a uniform champagne brunch, which will bring weekend attendees and local bears together for good food at C.C. Slaughters, 1014 SW Stark St., from noon to 2 pm. Later that afternoon, relaxation and fun are on the menu at the PDX Eagle, where a uniform beer bust will bring in the locals from 3 to 7 pm. An at-ease dinner from 8 to 10 pm at the gay-owned Lotsa Pasta, 16 NW Broadway, will complete the day's events.

Portland Uniform Weekend 3 will wind up on Monday, Jan. 16 (Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday), with a tour of the Portland Police Museum. Attendees will have the opportunity to see and buy police memorabilia. A survivor's dinner is being planned for that evening.

In addition to the activities, beginning Friday, and throughout the weekend, many uniform stores

in town will give AUA weekend participants a 10 percent discount on all merchandise. For out-of-state visitors, this represents even higher savings, as Oregon does not have a sales tax!

Weekend accommodations are available at The Cypress Inn, 809 SW King St., the official host hotel. The hotel offers a variety of 1- to 4-person suites for \$50-\$65, plus tax. To make reservations, call 1-800-225-4205; mention that you are with Portland Uniform Weekend 3. A complete schedule and information package is available by calling

*The American Uniform Association is a 17-year-old international club for uniform collectors and enthusiasts that brings together people who share the pride, integrity, loyalty and spirit that uniforms symbolize.*



Andy at (503) 228-6935 between 11 am and 8 pm. Registrations have already been received from Texas, New York, California, Washington and British Columbia.

*In Uniform: The Magazine* is a quarterly magazine dedicated to the appeal of men in uniform. The American Uniform Association is a 17-year-old international club for uniform collectors and enthusiasts that brings together people who share the pride, integrity, loyalty and spirit that uniforms symbolize. AUA has several weekend gatherings per year. This year's national Annual Review, on Columbus Day weekend, Oct. 6 to 9, will also be held in Portland, concurrent with the National Leather Association's Living in Leather 10.

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