



## **BIG RED ONE LIVING HISTORY ORGANIZATION MISSION STATEMENT**

Welcome to the Big Red One Living History Organization (BROLHO), Inc. Our mission is to honor the veterans of the Big Red One, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division by as accurately as possible, depicting a soldier's life through the use of a mix of original and quality reproduction equipment as living historians both in reenacting and static displays. We do this for ALL sub units of the 1st Division through all periods from WWI to present day. We have a heavy emphasis on the WWII period.

Our unit is has members in PA, MD, NJ, and the DE Region of the U.S.A., with other members as far north as New Hampshire, as far south as North Carolina, as far west as Illinois, and overseas in Holland (Netherlands). We portray units of the 1st Infantry Division including the 16th, 18th and 26th Infantry Regiments, 701st Ordnance Maintenance Company, 1st Recon Troop Mechanized, 1st MP Company, 1st Medical Company, and other attached units and personnel.

As a reenactor and member of the Big Red One, you should have a basic knowledge and understanding of the 1st Division's involvement in the time period(s) you intend to represent the unit in, along with a general knowledge of the history of that (those) period(s). PLEASE review the BROLHO By-Laws and Policy and Procedural Guideline information in this packet and/or on our website (BY-LAWS / P&P), which includes other web sites, recommended reading, unit dues, weapons and authenticity standards. A membership roster will be emailed to you periodically upon unit member updates.

Listed on our unit website is a link (left side of the screen) for upcoming events. These are some of the events that are available in which some or all of our members may attend. It is preferred that you participate in at least two events per year. If you know of an event that is not listed on the unit website, please inform the unit webmaster and the unit Public Information Officer (PIO) about this event and any information you may have about the event for posting. You will be required to obtain a very basic uniform which is listed under "Basic Infantry Uniform". This will provide you a foundation from which you can build your gear and personal items which will be helpful to you in reenacting the 1940's WWII time period. From there, if you choose to, you can expand your impressions to other time periods be it WWI or Vietnam for example.

It is an honor and a privilege for us to portray the Big Red One. So we ask that you please refrain from ANY and ALL acts that would dishonor or disgrace the uniform, the Organization and more importantly the Veterans. For example, there will NO consumption of alcohol during field tactical events with or without firearms. Your safety and others (members and non-members) is PRIORITY ONE especially around military vehicles and firearms. Uniforms will NOT be worn if you are out "in town" drinking. In addition, keep in mind that we are trying to portray "as close as possible" on how it was done by the Veterans. So refrain from wearing "farby" gear, incorrect uniform apparel (white crew neck t-shirts and modern GI t-shirts for example are verboten) just because it feels good or I don't have one of those. The Veterans had to deal with it, so we must also. However, if you have a particular health or financial issue, contact one of our experienced members to see how you can best "hide" or deal with farb or not having the correct item until a later period in your membership.

Our unit is highly photographed and published in the media and the last thing we need is to have a Veteran see incorrect uniform(s) or a plastic water bottle in the background. Please remember, we are preserving the history of the past to educate the generations of the future, about America's greatest generation.

The displays, vehicles and firearms are real. The living historians are dedicated, and the experience is awesome. Big Red One Living History Organization, Inc. takes a step back in time. Look, hear, feel, and live history up close and personal. We Are The Ultimate Interactive Living Museum Experience!

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact fellow members as they will be extremely helpful.

### **Our Mission**

"NO MISSION TOO DIFFICULT, NO SACRIFICE TOO GREAT, DUTY FIRST, SIR, DUTY FIRST!"

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