

## **Damascus American Legionnaire William Trotter Installed as Department of Maryland Commander**

At the annual Department of Maryland convention in Ocean City in mid-July, Damascus Post 171 member William “Will” Trotter was installed as the Maryland Commander for the Legion year 2021-2022.

Trotter is the first Post 171 member to serve in that role since the Post was formed in 1945. Will served the Post for nine years as the Adjutant, and he was the Montgomery County Commander for several years, the Southern Maryland District Commander, and the State Senior Vice Commander for the past two years. He also served as the Chaplain and Oratorical Contest Chairman for the Department. Will’s term as State Commander begins as the Department of Maryland implements an extensive reorganization into four regions, each of which has a Vice Commander.



Nine members of the Damascus Post represented the Post the convention. Pictured with Commander Trotter are, left to right, Past Post Commander Buzz Burroughs, Adjutant Steve Monteiro, Trotter, Will’s wife and Finance Officer Anita Trotter, Post Commander Fred Mitchell, Past Post Commander and current First Vice Commander Tony DeShiro, Past Post Commander George Bolling, Past Post Commander and National Legion staff member Kevin Mook, and Keith Midberry, Service Officer.

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