



Adalene "Nene" Spivy

Executive Director, Children's Science Center

Adalene "Nene" Spivy has led the Children's Science Center since 2010. Under Nene's leadership, annual visitation has grown from 3,500 to 70,000 visitors, serving children, families, and educators through community outreach programs and the Center's first operating site at Fair Oaks Mall which opened in 2015. Nene oversees all aspects of the Center operations and leads the effort to build a future full-scale world-class science center on donated land in Dulles, Virginia.



As an engineer, MBA, and non-profit leader, Nene brings a diverse range of experience including systems and process engineering, new product development, and general management for technology businesses; fundraising, advocacy, strategic planning, volunteer management, and board development for non-profits. Nene is a graduate of Leadership Fairfax, a past President of the Junior League of Northern Virginia, a past Chair of Fairfax County's Community Action Advisory Board, and served in multiple

board leadership roles with Discovery Creek Children's Museum. Nene holds a BS in Industrial Engineering from Virginia Tech and an MBA from the University of Virginia Darden School of Business.



Richard C. Conti

Chief Wonder Officer, Science Museum of Virginia

Richard Conti was appointed director of the Science Museum of Virginia in January 2008. He is the third person to serve in that role since the Museum opened in January 1977. As the head of the Museum, Conti oversees a 223,000-square-foot building that houses four floors of interactive exhibits, labs and experiences; a 33-acre campus; more than 120 employees and nearly 200 volunteers; and an annual budget of approximately \$10.5 million.



In addition to facilitating new exhibits and major infrastructure upgrades to enhance the guest experience, Conti orchestrated a master planning and fundraising effort, which generated more than \$50 million in capital investment

and led to the building of the Dewey Gottwald Center, a multipurpose exhibition space. In 2009, combined yearly visitation for the Museum was approximately 300,000. At the end of fiscal year 2019, Museum attendance surpassed 520,000, and member households reached nearly 8,000.

Before coming to Richmond, Conti was the Executive Director of Nauticus for ten years. With Conti at the helm, that facility doubled its annual attendance and formed strategic partnerships with the U.S. Navy, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and regional educational institutions. While in Norfolk, Conti played a key role in the city's efforts to increase cruise ship activity, constructing a \$36 million mixed-use facility to accommodate cruise passenger traffic and special events. He also led the project team to relocate the Battleship Wisconsin to Nauticus.

Prior to leading Nauticus, Conti was an Assistant to the City Manager in the City of Norfolk. He worked on numerous development projects, including the MacArthur Center. Conti is a former U.S. Naval Aviator and a graduate of the Navy Fighter Weapons School (TopGun). He amassed 1,000 flight hours and 250 carrier-arrested landings as a backseater (RIO) in the F-14 Tomcat.

Born in St. Louis, Conti lived throughout the country while growing up. He earned a BS in Business Management from Tulane University and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Southern California. Conti has been happily married to Sharon for more than 25 years and has two sons, Spencer and Bryce.



Jeff Bentley

President and CEO, Northwest Federal Credit Union

Jeff Bentley was selected as President and CEO of Northwest Federal in August, 2017, after having served in an acting capacity since March, 2017. He joined Northwest Federal in March 2014 as Senior Vice President/Chief Lending Officer, bringing to the team a wealth of experience in the creation of new consumer and commercial lending divisions within the financial industry.



In his career spanning more than 30 years, he has gained expertise in accounting, sales and vendor management in addition to lending. Mr. Bentley holds a finance degree from Georgia Southern University, with further study at Louisiana State's Graduate School of Banking and the University of Pennsylvania's CEO Institute.



Phyllis J. Randall

Chair at Large, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors

Phyllis J. Randall was elected Chair at Large of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors in November 2015. Her election was historic as she became the first woman of color in Virginia's history to be an elected chair of a county Board.



As Loudoun's Chair at Large, she represents Loudoun on various regional, state and national bodies including, serving as Chair of the Virginia Association of Counties Health and Human Resources sub-committee, Vice Chair of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, member of the Council of Governments Board of Directors and member of the National Association of Counties Health and Human Resources Committee

In June of 2018, Chair Randall was selected as one of only twenty-five women in the country to be included in the 2019 class of Governing Magazine's Women in Government Leadership Program. In addition, in 2018, the citizens of Loudoun County voted Chair Randall Favorite Public Official, an honor which she is most humbled by and proud of.

From 2009-2011, Chair Randall served as Chair of Virginia's Fair Housing Board under Governors Tim Kaine and Bob McDonnell. From 2014 to June of 2018, she served as Chair of Virginia's State Board of Corrections under Governor Terry McAuliffe.

By profession, Chair Randall is a mental health therapist, working with substance abusing offenders in a local adult detention center, a position she enjoyed for over fifteen years.

She and her husband Thaddeus (T.W.) have lived in Loudoun since 2003, and are the proud parents of two sons, Ashon and Aaron.