

THE VILLAGE VOICE

Flashback to Photos



A reminder to all residents:
 We urge you to leave your carport, front and back porch lights on nightly to light up the village and provide address information for emergency services.

Also, please remember to lock your vehicle doors.



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Tammy Talk



Happy Valentines Month to everyone! We have some exciting things planned for you this month. Valentine's Day will be one day early so we aren't conflicting with Ash Wednesday, and we will be doing Karaoke! I need all my singers to be ready to eat spaghetti and do some Karaoke on February 13th 5:30pm at the Ramey!

A very friendly reminder to all, that we are a very confidential company. That means that if anyone asks where you live, we cannot tell. Staff members are held to a very high standard regarding this. We cannot give any private info about you for example: your address, phone number etc. We ask that residents do the same. If anyone approaches you and asks for another residents address or contact information, please take their information and tell them that you will get it to that resident or staff member, But we cannot give anyone's information ever. This is one of the reasons that we stopped putting the resident phone list in the newsletter. It could end up in the wrong hands. If you would like a phone list, you are more than welcome to request one from the office. Residents on this list have given permission for their information to be on there.

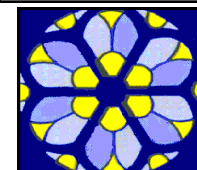
We are looking for volunteers for the White Elephant. The White Elephant is open two days a week from 10-3 Friday and Saturday. If you are not interested in working the sales desk but like to organize, sort and price things and put it on the shelf (behind the scenes work that would be a huge help! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Dyer and she will be more than happy to help you and explain more! A big thank you to the housekeepers who have been going and cleaning, sorting and putting out merchandise! Your help and hard work does not go unnoticed! Thank you Julia, Margie, Flo and Elsa!

We are still looking for a wellness nurse to cover Peggy's position. Peggy's shoes are proving to be very hard shoes to fill. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please send him/her to me.

Make sure to call the office at 870-532-4100 to sign up for all the programs. We would like to welcome you all out on February 20th at 5:30 for our very own Marion Erwin to display her Portraits of the First Ladies. There will be light hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided. Pssst! We will be getting started on demolition soon! We may need some vehicles to be moved around. We will be sure to let you know!

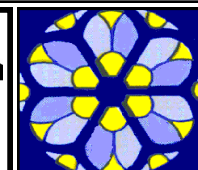
Happy Valentines!!

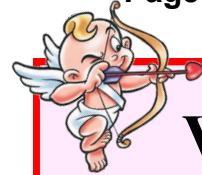
Tammy Swanson, Executive Director



Our Mission Statement

Westminster Village is committed to providing an environment that encourages and enables our residents to enjoy life to the maximum of their capabilities in a relaxed atmosphere of security, comfort and dignity.





Village Karaoke

Tuesday February 13th
5:30 Ramey Center



Spaghetti

**Salad, French Bread
& Cheesecake with
Strawberries**

Please Sign up with the front desk
by 12 noon Monday, February 12th!

Resident Services News

Sign UP! Show UP! Have Fun!

Be sure to sign up for the trips and events in February by calling the front desk.

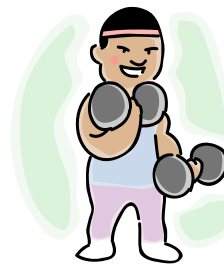
If you have ideas of things we could do as a group in March and April come to the 10 AM Thursday Coffee Activity Meeting on the Thursday the 15th.

We have places to go, things to see and things to do this Spring!!

God Bless WMV,
Kendall Berry



Thunder Bayou Golf Course
is ranked # 4 in the state of Arkansas.
Call 532-2621 for more information.



Morning Exercise

Mondays and Thursdays
9 a.m. in the Ramey Center
Gym. Bring a bottle of water
for hydration.

PUBLIC NOTICE April 8, 2024 is the eclipse. Westminster Village will take advantage of this event by renting out spaces for tourist who travel to view the eclipse. Although we are not in the totality area, our area of the world will allow tourist to experience the partial eclipse. We've been advised that this is a good opportunity to capitalize on this event. **This fundraiser will not "eclipse" the event we have planned at the Village Trail.** (Please refer to the article regarding the resident "eclipse" party.) We do ask our residents to be patient with the extra traffic flow that we hope to see. We will be renting spots for R.V.'s, tents and one day parking April 5-8. The Ramey Center will remain open for use of the restrooms. All rooms will remain locked for the weekend and we will have added security. We will have someone posted at the gate for added security. We will not rent parking spots in the occupied area. Our goal is to diminish as much inconvenience as possible to our residents. All funds generated for this fundraiser will go toward roofing the Ramey Center.

The King Foundation grant was awarded for \$40,000 and the estimate was around \$100,000. So please join us in our efforts to save the Ramey Center by saving the Ramey Center roof.



Marion Erwin, Resident of Westminster Village will have a presentation on the First Ladies. Marion is an accomplished artist who has painted some of the First Ladies portraits and will have the paintings on display.

Tuesday, February 20th 5:30 pm
Ramey Center

The Advisory Committee:

Loretta Heard, Annie Campbell,
Gary Walker, Tommy Hayes, Vicki Schrimsher,
Patty Guttridge

The Advisory Committee serves as a voice for the residents of Westminster Village. The office has an open door policy. Residents are welcome to call or come by anytime. However if you prefer to speak to someone on the Advisory Committee instead they will bring your concerns to management at the monthly meeting. The Advisory Committee meets at 1:30 the second Tuesday of the month.

Don't forget about the 11/12 program.
Earn more interest than you can get from the bank!
Call the accounting office for more information about
this program.

Faith In Action offers the following services: Light Housekeeping - Respite Care - Local Transportation - Letter Writing - Telephone Reassurance. If you need a ride you must have an application on file and give 24-hour notice. Please call 532-1501 for more information.

Westminster Village Directors

Tammy Swanson Executive Director
Cindy Williamson Administrative Director
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Kendall Berry Resident Services Director
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Angela Hollins Accounting Director

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FEBRUARY

- 1st Charlie Wimbely
- 2nd Frankie Starks
- 4th Jeanneen Smith Beamon
- 6th Cheryl Lysell
- 6th Johnny Williams
- 7th Coach Cleo Massey
- 8th Patricia Wilborn
- 11th Leonard Middlebrook
- 13th Bridget Owen
- 16th Harold Sudbury, Jr
- 17th Michael Price
- 21st Leona Tate
- 26th Sandra Harris
- 28th Elvis Williams

Employees

- 1st Jackson McKinney
- 18th Flo Bennett
- 28th Elvis Williams
- 29th Alley Dxurney

Move In Anniversaries

- Minnie Spencer 10 years
- William & Judy Brandon 8 years
- William Avery & Martha Gann 7 years
- LaDoris Porter 6 years
- Jeff & Shelia Blackmer 5 years
- Eddie & Frankie Starks 3 years

**The Doris Marks Library News
Wednesdays 8-10
Fridays 1-3**

Westminster Village residents are free go to the library at any time.

Library volunteers:

Loretta Heard, Susan Person, Nancy Frame.
If you are an avid reader be sure and visit our library.

There is a lot to choose from.



Crafty Ones

February 8 and 22
Save your old magazines and newspapers.

We will be crafting
bowls from recycled paper.

Bean Bag Baseball Practice Thursday 22nd
Game STARTS Friday 23rd 10 AM

We will have a special guest Sylvia Snow with Allcare Healthcare

Bean Bag Baseball is like playing baseball! Except you throw bean bags at holes in the board. You can make it to first second or third base or you can hit the one in the center and that's a homerun!

We will have two teams.
We can have the Westminster Shakers and the Village Quakers for example.



Bean Bag Baseball

Sign Up!



BUNCO

**Birthday & Move-In Anniversary Celebration
BREAKFAST**

February 8th
10 AM Ramey Center
Must be present to win prizes.

Sign Up!



The Westminster Village Book Club will meet Wednesday, February 14th at 2 p.m. in the Doris Marks Library.

The Book Club is waiting for books to arrive.
We will meet in the library.

Passing Author: Nella Larsen

It All Comes Down To This Author: Therese Anne Fowler

The Black Painting Author: Neal Olson

Dust And Desire Author: Neal Olson

Murder She Wrote: A Time For Murder
Author: Jessica Fletcher & Jon Land.

Dirt Creek Author: Hayley Scrivenor.

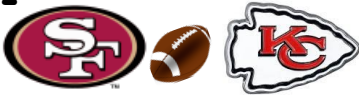
All are welcome to attend.

Notice of Public Meeting

Westminster Village of the Mid-South (WVMS) will hold a public meeting on February 7, 2024, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Ramey Activity Center located at 4404 Memorial Drive in Blytheville, AR. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the recent Brownfield Grant received by WVMS to conduct asbestos abatement of housing located in the southern portion of WVMS. Proposed abatement activities include demolition of multiple residential buildings damaged beyond repair and abatement of asbestos-containing materials (ACM) in buildings slated for renovation and future use. All citizens and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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The Doris Marks Library on Southside Drive has attendants at the library from 1 to 3 Monday through Friday except holidays. You are welcome to go to the library whenever you want..

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed Library 8 to 10 AM	Thu	Fri White Elephant 10 to 3 Library 1 to 3 PM	Sat White Elephant 10 to 3
ANC - Arkansas Northeastern College RC - Ramey Center CH - Craft Hut				1 9 AM Exercise Class RC 9:30 mingle 10 AM Coffee RC Social Coffee "I Remember When Who Said ??"	2 Groundhog & National Tater Tot Day Sign Up! 12 noon Lunch Groundhog Pizza & Cookies Sign Up! 4:30 Resident Dance 6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	3 Various Pizzas Meat - Cheese & Vegetables White Elephant 10 to 3
4	5 9AM Exercise class RC 5:30 TOPS	6 11 AM Lunch Sandbar Grill Osceola Sign Up!	7 6 to 8 PM Brownfields Grant Meeting Open to the Public Ramey Center	8 9 AM Exercise Class RC 9:30 mingle 10 AM Coffee RC Birthday Breakfast Bunco Sign Up! 2 PM Crafty Ones CH	9 White Elephant 10 to 3 4:30 Resident Dance RC 6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	10 White Elephant 10 to 3
11  Super Bowl LVIII on your TV 5:30 PM at your home.	12 9AM Exercise class RC 5:30 TOPS	13 1:30 PM Advisory Meeting RC 5:30 Valentine Spaghetti Dinner & Karaoke RC pg 2 Sign Up!	14 2 PM Book Club pg 6 Doris Marks Library	15 9 AM Exercise Class RC 9:30 mingle 10 AM Coffee RC Activity Meeting	16 White Elephant 10 to 3 4:30 Resident Dance RC 6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	17 White Elephant 10 to 3
18	19 9AM Exercise class RC 5:30 TOPS	20 5:30 Portraits of First Ladies Presentation By Marion Erwin Ramey Center pg 4	21	22 Practice Day 9 AM Exercise Class RC 9:30 mingle 10 AM Coffee RC Guest: Sylvia Snow - Allcare Healthcare Bean Bag Baseball 2 PM Crafty Ones CH	23 10 AM Bean Bag Baseball Guest—Sylvia Snow - Allcare Healthcare RC Sign Up Go to lunch around noon. Pizza Inn Sign Up 4:30 Resident Dance RC 6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	24 White Elephant 10 to 3
25	26 9AM Exercise class RC 5:30 TOPS	27	28 2 pm Movie Day & popcorn RC movie??? Sign Up! Pg 2	29 9 AM Exercise Class RC 9:30 mingle 10 AM Coffee RC Social Coffee???	March 1st 12 noon Grilled Hamburgers & Chips Lunch RC Sign Up! 4:30 Resident Dance RC 6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	White Elephant 10 to 3

Look at this from a distance and see what it says.



1. When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.
2. To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.
3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.
4. It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.
5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.
6. When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.

7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.

8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.

9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.

10. If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"

11. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.

12. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.

13. I run like the winded.

14. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.

15. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

16. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?

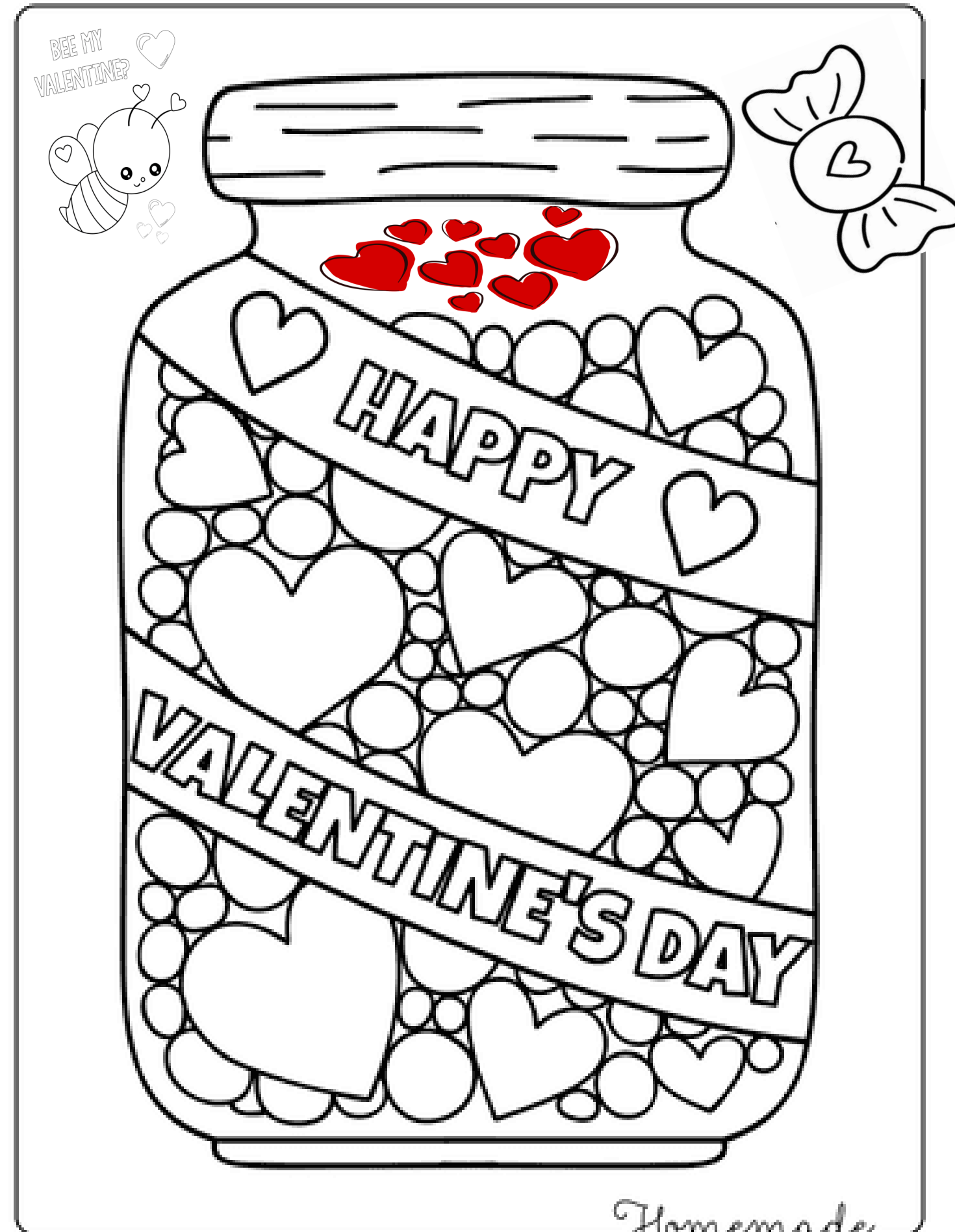
17. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

18. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."

19. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.

20. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.

21. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb."



Homemade
GIFTS MADE EASY

Maintenance Department



Eclipse /



Resident Block Party Monday, April 8, 2024 Village Trail / 12 noon

Residents will meet at the Village Trail at noon for lunch. Lunch will be sandwiches, chips and drinks. Bring your own chair. Come and enjoy the company of others.

Resident Services will order glasses for the event. Call the office if you need a pair. The cost is \$2.00.

Obscuration	99.72%
Magnitude	0.9944
Duration	2h, 36m, 49s

Partial begins	Apr 8, 2024 at 12:39:04 pm
Maximum	Apr 8, 2024 at 1:58:06 pm
Partial ends	Apr 8, 2024 at 3:15:53 pm



What is a Solar Eclipse? Sometimes when the Moon orbits Earth, the Moon moves between the Sun and Earth. When this happens, the Moon blocks the light of the Sun from reaching Earth. This causes an eclipse of the Sun, or a solar eclipse. During a solar eclipse, the Moon casts a shadow onto Earth.

There are three main types of solar eclipses:

1. Total solar eclipse: A total solar eclipse is visible from a small area on Earth. The people who see the total eclipse are in the center of the Moon's shadow when it hits Earth. The sky becomes very dark, as if it were night. For a total eclipse to occur, the Sun, Moon and Earth must be in a direct line.
2. Partial solar eclipse: This happens when the Sun, Moon and Earth are not exactly aligned. The Sun appears to have a dark shadow on a small part of its surface.



Butch Sanders,
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Director



Bobby Stigall
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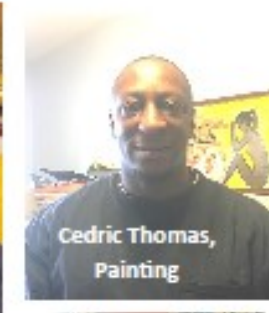
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Housekeeping



Elsa Perez Hernandez
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Security Director



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