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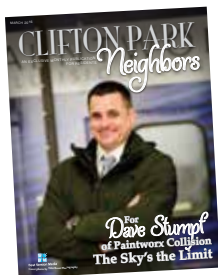
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**ON THE COVER**  
Dave Stumpf

## Hello CLIFTON PARK RESIDENTS

Spring is almost here! Even when there's still snow on the ground, March is the time I get antsy to start plants for the garden and look ahead to plans for summer activities. I'm ready to feel the dirt, smell some flowers and absorb the warmth of the sun on my face.

But I often have to catch myself from trying to look too far ahead. There are so many wonderful things to enjoy in the meantime. Sometimes it's hard to remember that when I look around and see dirty piles of snow that no longer quite hide the winter's buildup of dog poop in the yard. The trees look cold and tired, there's salt everywhere, and I'm just plain tired of wearing my winter coat every day.

Then I watch my dog as she goes outside. Every day she runs out there with a smile on her face, ready for whatever new adventure waits for her. She's looking for hidden treasures, and she always finds something. It could be that perfect stick she forgot about, or a toy that had been buried in the snow. She rediscovers the Christmas tree that was covered by the mid-winter storm, plays detective with each scent she finds and even sometimes manages to find a flower trying to work its way up. Every day is exciting for her.

We should approach each day in this way. What adventure is waiting for us? What new scents are in the air? New life and a fresh start are emerging from the piles. It might appear ugly outside until nature finishes cleaning herself, but if we were to actually take a look around, we would find all kinds of hidden treasures.

Take a minute to really notice your surroundings. What do you see? Dig a little – what can you find? Even within you – what kind of treasure is waiting to be found? It doesn't matter how the day starts, or what it may initially appear to be. It doesn't matter if it's cold, dark, sunny, stressful, too long, too short, etc. Each day holds a hidden treasure. We just need to open our eyes, stretch our "paws" and search. It's there somewhere. And when we find it, we are as rich as a king – even if only for a day.



Jenna Caputo

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