

How our differences can make our community a better place. By Skyler Burke

I have been asked to write about how the differences in my community make it a better place. Although I live in a small community compared to some places in the world, there are still many differences.

One of the differences I see in my community are people of all different ethnics. I see people that are White, Black, Asian, Hispanics, and there may be more. I think that it is great to live in a community with so many different kinds of people. I think we can all teach others about our backgrounds, our cultures, our likes, and our dislikes. I think that as long as we all get along, we have a lot of things that we can teach other, and learn from others.

Another difference in our community that I see our the different levels on which people live. Driving around, I see people who live in huge homes, people who have comfortable homes, people who are lucky to have a home, and I even see people who do not own a home and have nowhere to live. I think that in our community, we should be able to help those who need our help. If we were all on the same level of living, we would be missing out on helping others through service.

Another difference in my community, are there are so many people who have different jobs and skills. If we all worked at the same job and did the same thing, we would not be able to get the things done that we need. Maybe it would be impossible to get a car fixed, build a home, attend school, get medical help, and the list goes on. So I am glad that there are so many different jobs that make our community different.

Another thing in our community is that we can practice different religions. There are people who are Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, Baptist, Hindu, Methodist, and Jehovah's Witness. But when we get together as a community, it doesn't matter what religion we are.

I am glad that I'm able to live in such a good community. I think a community needs many differences to live together and help each other.

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I was looking outside my window in Idaho Falls. I heard one bird sing and then another and another. Each of them sang a different tune, but altogether they sounded great. It reminded me of the people in my community. Every person is special and unique and together we can do great things.

Many people have talents. If you look at my football team you might think that we are all the same, but we are not. We all have different positions and when we work together the team wins.

When music comes on the radio I hear rap, country and jazz. People like to hear all sorts of different kinds of music. Music has a way of bringing people together.

Everyone has a different personality because of the way they were raised and the environment they grew up in. This is a good thing because everyone has good ideas. When people get together and talk about their ideas it will help our community.

A community is only as strong as the people who live in it. Everyone needs to share their talents and ideas to make the community a better place.

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I live in the community of Ammon. I recognize that there are so many differences in this community. Our differences are very important. They make our community strong.

Everybody has different talents. Many of the people I know can play an instrument, I can't. In music if we all played the same instruments it wouldn't sound interesting. When we play different instruments, or do what we do best, it balances out our community.

While I walk in the grocery store, I notice everyone's different personalities. Some people walk with a bounce in their step because they're happy. On the contrary, I see some people frowning. It's good to have people of both personalities because happy people can share happiness with sad people. These different personalities are good for our community.

As I ride around Ammon I see many different places different religions. I see different churches such as Lutheran churches and Mormon churches. Some of my friends are different religions, but in my opinion our diverse religions strengthen our friendship and this works the same way with everybody in my community.

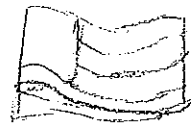
There are many differences I Ammon and all of those differences balance out our community to make it a great place.

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Everybody is different and it's not a bad thing to be different. When somebody says your different you probably feel a sad or mad feeling. You should actually feel good because they're saying your different. Embrace the feeling that comes to you for being different. Nobody is the same. You could try to be the same but as hard as you try you never will. If everyone was the same we would talk about the same thing all the time. We would look the same and act the same. Nobody would have the chance to become lawyers, Doctors, engineers, pro football players and many more. No one would have a chance to be, well, different. We can be different in our language, or color, cultures and lots of other things. Being different is just another part of life we will always have. We are always going to be different but being different gives us choices. I think everyone wants to have some choices or make smart decisions for themselves. Being different also gives us a chance to be unique and special it gives us a chance to dream big. So being different has a bunch of different meanings. That's what being different means to me.

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By Samuel Morse (Duffey)

I understand diversity for these reasons. My stepmom is black, my step baby brother is black, and as well as my half brother.

People may be black or white. One is as good as the other.

I grew up around black people. I used to have a great friend who was black.

You might like sports. Well most athletes are black.

If you ask me black people are better than whites. Black's survived slavery. They fought for their rights with Martin Luther King Jr. They managed going through abuse from whites.

If you ask me black people are most likely to succeed. They're better at sports, surviving, and much more.

I mean look at all those famous black's. Barack Obama, Micheal, Martin Luther King Jr. Barack Obama has helped the U.S.A. a lot. Micheal Jackson donated millions and billions of dollars to charities. Also Martin Luther King Jr. helped fight for the rights of black.

Rosa Parks she stood up for her own rights. Without them imagine what this country would be like.

And the black people don't get sunburned that easily. (So unfair) They also have a better sense of style.

Don't be afraid to show who you are. It doesn't matter what color you are. The U.S. is supposed to have diversity. You are free of speech, religion, press, assembly, and petition.

Very many people have been mocked, hurt, and disrespected for their color. It's great the black don't suffer anymore. I'm glad that they don't suffer anymore. If it weren't for differences our country would be very boring.

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Diversity is what makes a good fun community. Diversity means a difference. Differences aren't just our hair color, or our eye color, it can be other things. Such as our talents, interests, personalities, and so many more.

People on my baseball team have many different talents. Some people are good at hitting or pitching. Or some people are good at fielding. But when we work together, we create a good hardworking baseball team.

Many people in my community speak different languages. One time when I was at the Hillcrest football game I noticed that some different languages were being spoken. Some people were speaking Spanish. But some were speaking Chinese, or just English! I felt like I was at an International Airport, but I was actually in Ammon, Idaho.

Many people in my community have different personalities. Some people are very shy. Others are talking non-stop. Or sometimes they're lazy. But sometimes, we can learn from their personalities.

The gears in a clock all have different jobs. But when they work together, they make the clock work. That is like our community. We all are very diverse. But when we all put a little of our own personalities, talents, or minds in to it, we can create a very fun, hardworking, and of course, a very diverse community!

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What if the place we lived in was all the same? What if you went to work or school and everyone looked like you. What if everyone was a farmer and you got sick and needed a doctor? Who would help get better, what if you needed a pharmacist and couldn't get medicine. You wouldn't have medicine to help you get better. You wouldn't learn anything new about a different cultures, styles and religions. It would be boring!!! If you only accept your own stereotype, you might hurt somebody else; you might keep them from being everything they can be.

The Chinese and Japanese are the smartest people on earth, from my opinion, because they go to school year round and for longer times. They take advantage of their education, use their resources and aren't lazy. They invent really cool things like cell phones that change color every ten (10) minutes and cars shaped like balls that can be connected to make bigger cars. It's COOL!!!

There are a lot of really good things about the Hispanic culture that I think we could all learn from. For example, in the Hispanic culture, they have a really strong family structure. They are really good about taking care of their elders. If you are Hispanic, you probably don't have to worry about going to a nursing home. They are generally more concerned with their family than themselves.

Some schools have uniforms that you have to wear if you go to school there. Probably because the kids can't bully the other kids because they all look the same. But there is no style or originality.

If the world was the same, it'd probably be really boring. But like everything, it is important to be diverse, but still have the ability to keep your own values and individual ideas.

If we can accept others because of their differences, but are willing to stand up for right against wrong, maybe we could excel somebody to become their best self and make our community a better place.

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From a short glance around we might all seem the same, but if you look a little closer then you will see that we are all different. Differences make us all special, but what would our community be like if we were all the same?

Everyone has different talents. Some of my friends are good at gymnastics . They can do back flips and the splits while I have better luck doing hand stands and cartwheels. I am best at doing piano. My piano teacher says that I am advanced. My mom is really good at cooking. Some of her cookies look like they are store boughten.

Everyone has a different personality. Some people are funny and others are serious. My dad is very funny, but my mom is more serious though she is almost always smiling. I think that personalities are very important to form a community. Personalities make communities very diverse.

Ideas also help make communities both fun and interesting. Some people have ideas that other people might never have thought of. We all have imagination, but some people write very interesting and adventurous books. When you are playing challenging games you will need to use good strategy. When I play Chinese Checkers with my dad, I plan out my moves. Ideas are important and make communities very diverse.

Diversity makes communities different and interesting. Diversity is a good thing. From a short glance around we might all seem the same, but if you look a little closer, you will see that we are all different.