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Taylorsville Dayzz

Taylorsville Dayzz is a great time to bring together family, friends, and neighbors and celebrate community. Representative Dunnigan has served as the volunteer chairman of the city's festival for 17 years and appreciates all of the hard work that his fellow committee members put in to the event to help make it the success that it is. He had the opportunity to do a spot on Channel 4 a few days before, promoting the festivities. Salt Lake Community College also did a promotional video highlighting people's favorite experiences from the event. Click [here](#) to view the video. Below, enjoy the pictures from the many activities that happened before and during the two-day celebration.



Representative Dunnigan appearing on Channel 4 News to talk about Taylorsville Dayzz.



Taylorsville Dayzz is a family matter as the Dunnigan family gets ready for the parade. From left to right: Vicki, Jim, Olive, Jason, Emily, Nixon, Jill, Brielle.



Lisa McLowry serenades a young audience member.



Rock the 80's with Lisa McLowry. What a fun performance!



Representative Dunnigan and the Beatles tribute band Imagine. They put on a great show!



The large crowd at Taylorsville Dayzz.

Education Funding

The Utah Legislature significantly increased education funding during the 2017 General Session, with 60 percent of new revenue dedicated for that purpose. This was done without raising taxes. Some highlights include:

- 4% increase in weighted pupil unit (WPU), amounting to \$115,452,200, putting money where it can allow for greater flexibility and local control
- 6.7% funding increase over last year
- Funding for Schools for the Deaf and Blind to build a new campus in Utah County
- \$5 million teacher supplies and materials reimbursement, shifted from one-time to ongoing funds
- Bonuses of up to \$5,000 (through HB 212) for highly effective teachers in schools in high-poverty areas

Even prior to these funding increases, U.S. News recently ranked Utah 9th in the nation in overall education. Read more [here](#).



Leaders and Achievers

The Utah Legislature recognized 36 students from around the state who received the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship for their academic achievements and leadership. Congratulations to these students for their hard work and dedication!

June 2017 Interim Highlights

To see highlights of Legislative happenings during the interim, access that newsletter [here](#). To access prior interim highlight newsletters, follow the link [here](#).



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Representative Dunnigan meeting with public officials from Kosovo to discuss how Utah addresses public corruption.

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**Pioneer
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Representative Dunnigan and his sweet wife, Vicki, visiting Paul Revere's house and learning more about that great Patriot.

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Posing with the public officials from Kosovo. It was great to have them visit and discuss how Utah handles various public issues.