

# CITY OF PALMDALE

## *MEDIA ALERT*

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### *PHOTO/INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITY*

**WHAT:** Unveiling of winning poem in the City's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Walk on Words poetry contest.

**WHEN:** **TOMORROW, Saturday, May 23 at 10:30 am.**

**WHERE:** DryTown Water Park, 3850-B E. Avenue S, Palmdale

**WHO:** Mayor Jim Ledford; City Manager Dave Childs, DryTown Water Park Manager Eric Dombrowski; first place and honorable mention poetry contest winners.

**WHY:** To announce and unveil the winning poem in the Walk on Words Contest, which will be stamped in concrete at DryTown. Honorable mention winners will also be announced.

**BACKGROUND:** Participants in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Walk on Words Poetry Contest were asked to craft a poem about summer fun. The contest was free and open to all ages. Poems had to be original compositions, no more than 12 lines long, including title, with a maximum of 35 characters per line, including spaces. The winning poem will be stamped in concrete at DryTown and the winner will also receive a family 4-pack of DryTown season passes.

DryTown Water Park will open to the public Memorial Day weekend. The six-acre Old West mining town-themed aquatic park features a 925-foot lazy river, a 35-foot waterslide tower with four waterslides and splashdown pool, a 6,000 square foot children's water playground, including a 50-gallon vortex splash bucket, three water rings and two water cannons, and the new Dusty's Mineshaft Racer, a 4-lane racer that launches riders headfirst into a thrilling 360 degree turn in an enclosed tube, before plunging 40 feet down open-air lanes for a downhill dash to the finish line and a serious drenching.

Food and beverage concessions this year at DryTown will be handled by Subway at Dusty's Grill. The popular Subway fresh menu is available, with delicious and healthy options at a great value. Customers will also be able to enjoy their DryTown favorites, pizza, cold drinks, yogurt parfaits and more.

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