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College of the Desert Homecoming

PALM DESERT, CA — College of the Desert's homecoming celebration will take place Saturday, October 26 at Boone Field on the Palm Desert Campus. The Roadrunners will take on the Antelope Valley College Marauders at 6 p.m.

This year's event will honor returning members of the 1979 College of the Desert championship football team, including quarterback Roman Gabriel III, who went on to play professional football with the Oakland Raiders and the United States Professional League in Boston.



The award-winning Desert Hot Springs High School marching band will salute the 1979 team with a special halftime performance.

The event is open to the public, with tickets ranging between \$6-\$10. Admission is free for faculty, staff and students with ID. Tickets for the game will go on sale one hour before game time and will be sold on the west side of the stadium.

About the COD Football Team:

Football was the first team sport introduced at College of the Desert in 1962. Since that time, the team has garnered a conference championship title nine times, including 40 years ago in 1979.

College of the Desert has played Antelope Valley since its first full season of football, and has accumulated an 18-19-2 overall record against the Marauders, including an 8-7-2 record at home.

About College of the Desert:

Established in 1958, College of the Desert, located in Palm Desert, is an accredited community college serving eastern Riverside County, California. The College leads the region in providing quality, higher education, technical training and lifelong learning opportunities, in response to the dynamic needs of our diverse community. The College serves more than 18,000 students each year and is the number one source of transfer students to California State University, San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. For more information, visit www.collegeofthedesert.edu.

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