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LOCAL MAN SELECTED AS UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA ADVOCATE MISSOULA --

James Gleason of <u>Corvallis</u> has been selected as an Advocate at The University of Montana-Missoula.

The University of Montana Advocates are an 80-member group of professional student leaders who assist the University with a variety of volunteer activities such as UM Days, orientation, recruiting and registration. They represent the student body and the University to the general public and also serve as campus hosts for Homecoming, alumni relations and UM Foundation events.

The UM Advocate organization was one of the first student leadership groups founded in the United States and has been a forerunner in progressive student organizations at other colleges and universities across North America. In the mid-1970s UM Advocates started touring Montana and other states serving as ambassadors for UM.

The son of Carol Gleason, James is a freshman majoring in business administration. He is a 1996 graduate of Crescent Valley High School.

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