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BILLINGS STUDENT VIES FOR ROYALTY TITLE AT UM

MISSOULA--

A student from **Billings** is vying for the title of 1998 Homecoming King at The University of Montana-Missoula.

Kevin Kolendich is part of UM's Homecoming Royalty Court, from which the king and queen will be selected on Friday, Oct. 2. The crowning of the pair will take place during the traditional Singing on the Steps celebration beginning at 7 p.m. in front of Main Hall.

The royalty court will ride in the Homecoming Parade on Saturday morning and will be announced during halftime of Saturday's UM-Portland State football game, which begins at 1:05 p.m. This year's Homecoming theme is "Can't Wait? Neither Can We!"

Kolendich, a 1995 graduate of Billings West High School, is a senior majoring in microbiology. He has won several scholarships, including the Watkins Scholarship, the Gamma Phi of Sigma Nu Scholarship and the J. Wedum Scholarship. In 1998, he was voted UM's Greek Man of the Year. Kolendich plans to pursue a medical career, specializing in either pediatric oncology or pediatric cardiology. He is the son of Frank and Toni Kolendich of Billings.

The Homecoming king and queen receive \$200 scholarships and prizes from Missoula businesses.

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