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# BELGRADE STUDENT VIES FOR HOMECOMING TITLE AT UM

MISSOULA--

Erik Strickland of **Belgrade** is a contender for the title of Homecoming King at The University of Montana.

Strickland is part of UM's Homecoming Royalty Court, from which the king and queen will be selected Friday, Oct. 12. The crowning of the pair will take place during the traditional Singing on the Steps ceremony beginning at 7 p.m. in front of Main Hall.

The royalty court will ride in the Homecoming parade Saturday, Oct. 13, and will be introduced during halftime of the Montana Grizzlies vs. St. Mary's Gaels football game, which begins at 1:05 p.m. in Washington-Grizzly Stadium. This year's Homecoming theme is "2001: A Homecoming Odyssey."

Strickland is a senior in communication studies at the University. He graduated from Belgrade High School in 1998. He is the son of Mary Strickland of Belgrade.

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