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TOM PETTIT JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 3 AT UNI

CEDAR FALLS--Applications for two Tom Pettit Scholarships in Journalism for the 1986-87 academic year at the University of Northern Iowa, are now available, and must be returned no later than March 3.

Each worth \$200, the scholarships will be awarded in April to two UNI students minoring in journalism and planning a career in the field of communications. Any student with at least six credit hours in journalism coursework is eligible to apply.

Students must submit samples of their writing with their applications. Awards will be made on the basis of faculty recommendations and the students' achievement.

Application forms are available from the Department of English Language and Literature, 115 Baker Hall, UNI, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614-0502. They should be returned there no later than March 3.

Pettit, a 1953 UNI graduate and an award-winning reporter, is now vice president of news at NBC. He donated his \$1,750 honorarium for a 1982 speaking engagement on campus to the UNI Foundation to be used for scholarships. Last September, he donated an additional \$500 to the fund.

Pettit, a Cedar Falls native, began his broadcasting career as a reporter for WOI-TV, Ames, after graduation. He also worked for KCRG-TV in Cedar Rapids, and WCCO-TV in Minneapolis, before joining the network.

Interested students can obtain more information from English faculty members O.R. Schmidt, Bernard DeHoff or Dr. Cynthia Goldstein.