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The ceremonies will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 26, in Beeghly Center, Spring Street.

The former chair of the NEOUCOM board will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree during commencement exercises.

Dr. Fleming was born in Midland, Pa. He worked full-time in a steel mill while attending Geneva College in Beaver Falls, and graduated in three years with a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in mathematics and pre-medical sciences. He received his Master of Science degree in mathematics from American College in Washington, D.C.

After receiving his medical degree from Howard University in Washington, Dr. Fleming served his internship and first year residency at St. Vincent Hospital, Cleveland. He held second and third year residencies in internal medicine at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Cleveland, where he became chief resident.

In 1962, he was appointed associate director of pulmonary services at the hospital and at the same time established his private practice in internal medicine.

From 1973-75, Dr. Fleming served as medical director of Community Action Against Addiction in Cleveland. He was a member of the Kent State