Symposium on the Work of Leon Moses

Friday, February 7, 2014
9:30-11:15am, and 2:30-4:30pm
Transportation Center, Lower Level Conference Center
600 Foster Street, Evanston Campus
Leon N. Moses (October 24, 1924 - October 12, 2013) held a joint appointment as a professor in the Department of Economics, and as a faculty member in the Transportation Center at Northwestern University from 1959 until his retirement in 2005. He served as the Chair of the Department of Economics from 1970-72, and as Director of the Transportation Center from 1974-79.

9:30-10:00  Leon Moses' work on Transportation Safety - Ian Savage (Northwestern University)
Ian Savage has been a faculty member in the Department of Economics and the Transportation Center at Northwestern University since 1986. He was the co-organizer with Leon Moses of a conference on transportation deregulation and safety in 1987 which led to a collected volume Transportation Safety in an Age of Deregulation, Oxford University Press, 1989. They collaborated on a couple of papers on aviation safety, and a series of six papers between 1991 and 1997 on safety and safety regulation in the trucking industry. He was the author of the entry on Leon Moses in the Biographical Dictionary of American Economists, Thoemmes Continuum, 2006.

10:00-10:30  Production Decisions in Time and Space - Lanny Arvan (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
Lanny Arvan is now retired. Previously he was Chief Information Officer and Associate Dean for eLearning in the College of Business and an associate professor of economics at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He obtained his PhD in Economics from Northwestern University in 1981. He was the coauthor with Leon Moses for a number of papers including “Inventory Investment and the Theory of the Firm” in the American Economic Review, 1982 and “A Model of the Firm in Time and Space” in the Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, 1985.

10:30-10:45  Coffee Break

10:45-11:15  Buyback Auctions for Fisheries Management - John Ledyard (California Institute of Technology)
John Ledyard is the Allen and Lenabelle Davis Professor of Economics and Social Sciences at the California Institute of Technology. From 1972 to 1985 he was a faculty member at Northwestern University. He was the coauthor with Leon Moses of “Dynamics and Land Use: The Case of Forestry” in Public and Urban Economics: Essays in Honor of William Vickery, edited by Ronald Grieson, Lexington Books, 1976.
Noon -1:00  
Memorial Service for Leon and Rae Moses

Jeanne Vail Chapel (part of the Alice Millar Center)  
1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston Campus

Exit the Transportation Center and head south 1½ blocks on Sheridan Road. The Alice Millar Center is the large Chapel building at the junction of Sheridan Road and Chicago Avenue. The Jeanne Vail Chapel is on the east side of the courtyard to the left of the main chapel (do not confuse it with the large fraternity chapel which is across the alleyway).

Rae A. Moses (May 30, 1935 - February 7, 2013) came to Northwestern in 1966. She was a founding member of the Linguistics Department, an Assistant Dean for the College of Arts & Sciences from 1968-1976, co-founded the Women's Studies Program in 1986 and was its Director until 1991. She also helped establish Northwestern's Organization of Women Faculty, and the Women's Studies Residential College, where she served as a faculty associate. She retired in 2004.

1:15-2:15  
Buffet lunch in the Guild Lounge of Scott Hall  
(across Chicago Avenue, and 100 feet north)

2:30  
Symposium continues at the Transportation Center
2:30-3:00  *Leon Moses and Walter Isard: Collaborators, Rivals and/or Antagonists?* - David Boyce (University of Illinois at Chicago and Northwestern University)

David Boyce is an adjunct professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Northwestern University and professor emeritus from the University of Illinois at Chicago. He was an undergraduate student at Northwestern University. Both he and Leon Moses were active in the Regional Science Association.

3:00-3:30  *Employment Decentralization and Commuting in U.S. Metropolitan Areas* - Alex Anas (University at Buffalo)


3:30-4:00  *Coffee Break*

4:00-4:30  *The Elasticity of Substitution between Land and Capital: Evidence from Chicago* - Daniel McMillen (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

Daniel McMillen is a professor of economics at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He obtained his PhD from Northwestern University in 1987. Leon Moses was his PhD thesis advisor.

4:30  *Adjournment. Thank you for coming.*