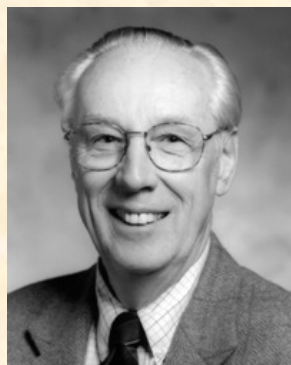


Vernon W. Ruttan Memorial Lecture

December 3, 2008

**3:00 p.m. Keynote Lecture
Remembrance Reception to Follow**

**McNamara Alumni Center
Memorial Hall
University of Minnesota**



(Aug 16, 1924 – Aug 18, 2008)

Our dear friend and colleague Vernon Ruttan died on August 18, 2008. In honor of his extraordinary lifetime contributions in Development and Growth Economics we are pleased to host the Vernon Ruttan Memorial Lecture on December 3, 2008. We invite his colleagues, friends and family for an afternoon of reflection on Vernon's remarkable contributions to issues of world growth and economic development.

EVENTS:

KEYNOTE LECTURE



We are delighted and honored to have Professor Anne O. Krueger present a lecture on international development economics, focusing on aspects that were central to Vernon's interests.

Professor Krueger is Professor of International Economics in The Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University. From 2001-2006 she was first deputy managing director of the International Monetary Fund. Prior to that, she was Herald L. and Caroline L. Ritch Professor in Humanities and Sciences and founding director of the Center for Research on Economic Development and Policy Reform at Stanford University and a Hoover Institution senior fellow. She has taught at Stanford and Duke Universities and the University of Minnesota and was World Bank vice president for economics and research. She is past president and distinguished fellow of the American Economics Association; member of the National Academy of Sciences, American Academy of Arts and Sciences and American Philosophical Society; fellow of the Econometric Society and senior research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research. Dr. Krueger earned her Ph.D. in economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

REMEMBRANCE RECEPTION:

Vernon touched the lives of his colleagues, students and family. In honor of Vernon, Applied Economics will host an Invited Lecture and Remembrance Reception. Honored guests will share their memories of Vernon, reflecting on both his professional and personal life. This special Remembrance Reception is an opportunity to celebrate his extraordinary contributions with colleagues and family members. If you would like to present a memorandum of Vernon, please contact us and we will accommodate your request.

VERNON W. RUTTAN

Vernon was born on a farm in northern Michigan. He received his B.A. from Yale University in 1948 and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago in 1952 and 1954. Vern's first academic appointment was at Purdue University in the Department of Agricultural Economics in 1955 where he quickly rose to the rank of professor in 1960. In 1965, Vernon joined the faculty in Agricultural and Applied Economics at the University of Minnesota as Professor and Head of the Department. From 1978 to 1986 Vernon was also Professor in Economics at the University of Minnesota and was named as a Regents professor in 1986.

Among Vernon's substantial contributions to development through authoring well over 200 books, articles and reports, is his book with Yujiro Hayami, *Agricultural Development: An International Perspective*, published by Johns Hopkins University Press, 1971 and 1985. This book is a basic reference in the field of agricultural development and has been translated into four other languages. Vernon made impressive contributions to assuring world food supplies. His ideas on induced innovation, science and technology policy, and development aid and institutions helped shape public and private investments and policies that have contributed to the tremendous achievements in food security during the past half century.

All who knew Vernon personally or professionally were touched by his incisive insights, his tenor chuckle and his true interest in others. He was generous of his time with students and colleagues. He was always the first to encourage and the first to congratulate. We will miss him deeply as a friend, a scholar, a colleague and a true gentleman.

Vernon is survived by his wife Marilyn, son Christopher, daughters Lia, Alison and Lore, and five grandchildren.

Registration, Venue, Maps & Directions at: www.apec.umn.edu/RuttanEvent.html

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