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Next Stop, Reloville HarperCollins
Two of the UK's leading economists call for an end to extreme individualism as the engine of prosperity 'provocative but thought-provoking and nuanced'
Telegraph Throughout history, successful societies have created institutions which channel both competition and co-

operation to achieve complex goals of general benefit. These institutions make the difference between societies that thrive and those paralyzed by discord, the difference between prosperous and poor economies. Such societies are pluralist but their pluralism is disciplined. Successful societies are also rare and fragile. We could not have built modernity without the exceptional competitive and co-operative instincts of humans, but in recent decades the

balance between these instincts has become dangerously skewed: mutuality has been undermined by an extreme individualism which has weakened co-operation and polarized our politics. Collier and Kay show how a reaffirmation of the values of mutuality could refresh and restore politics, business and the environments in which people live. Politics could reverse the moves to extremism and tribalism; businesses could replace the greed that has degraded corporate culture; the communities and decaying places that are home to many could overcome despondency and again be prosperous and purposeful. As the world emerges from an unprecedented crisis we have the chance to examine society afresh and build a politics beyond individualism.

Alienated America Simon and Schuster
Bowled Over harks back to an earlier era when folks swarmed to gleaming bowling emporiums for fine cuisine, fancy cocktails, and stiff competition. Positively packed with bowling memorabilia and anecdotes, Bowled Over covers bowlings history, fashion, champs, surly pinboys, lady bowlerettes, and alley architecture along with important tips on scoring and alley etiquette. Featuring over 100 vintage images culled from the Inter-national Bowling Museum and Hall of Fames archives, this colorful compendium is a punchy tribute to the ever-popular tradition and culture of bowling.

Why the Garden Club Couldn't Save Youngstown Cambridge University Press

Why do some democratic governments succeed and others fail? In a book that has received attention from policymakers and civic activists in America and around the world, Robert Putnam and his collaborators offer empirical evidence for the importance of "civic community" in developing successful institutions. Their focus is on a unique experiment begun in 1970 when Italy created new governments for each of its regions. After spending two decades analyzing the efficacy of these governments in such fields as agriculture, housing, and health services, they reveal patterns of associationism, trust, and cooperation that facilitate good governance and economic prosperity.

How Religion Divides and Unites Us

Vanderbilt University Press
In *Democracies in Flux*, Putnam and nine world renowned scholars investigate the condition of social capital in eight advanced democratic nations.

Bowling Alone Cambridge University Press
Publisher description
[The Problem with Social Capital](#)
Cambridge University Press
Criticizes pure economic or political approaches to social problems, and argues for the establishment of civil responsibilities

[Political Culture and Public Opinion](#)
Russell Sage Foundation
A delightfully illustrated picture book about support for families with babies, and the coming of a new baby. The charming and simple text has been

written by Yvonne Morrison, author of THE KIWI NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS and KIWI JINGLE BELLS. Illustrations by Jenny Cooper, who has illustrated DOWN IN THE FOREST and many educational books. This book was produced following a request from Plunket, who felt they should celebrate their centenary with something for children as well as more serious works for adults.

The Oxford Handbook of Classics in Public Policy and Administration Harvard University Press

The Great Good Place argues that "third places" - where people can gather, put aside the concerns of work and home, and hang out simply for the pleasures of good company and lively conversation - are the heart of a community's social vitality and the grassroots of democracy.

The Collapse and Revival of American Community Motorbooks

This Handbook brings together a collection of leading international authors to reflect on the influence of central contributions, or classics, that have shaped the development of the field of public policy and administration. The Handbook reflects on a wide range of key contributions to the field, selected on the basis of their international and wider disciplinary impact. Focusing on classics that contributed significantly to the field over the second half of the 20th century, it offers insights into works that have explored aspects of the policy process, of particular features of bureaucracy, and of administrative and policy reforms. Each classic is discussed by a leading international scholar. They

offer unique insights into the ways in which individual classics have been received in scholarly debates and disciplines, how classics have shaped evolving research agendas, and how the individual classics continue to shape contemporary scholarly debates. In doing so, this volume offers a novel approach towards considering the various central contributions to the field. The Handbook offers students of public policy and administration state-of-the-art insights into the enduring impact of key contributions to the field.

The Seven-power Summits Univ of California Press

Record unemployment and rampant corporate avarice, empty houses but homeless families, dwindling opportunities in an increasingly

paralyzed nation—these are the realities of 21st-century America, land of the free and home of the new middle class poor. Award-winning broadcaster Tavis Smiley and Dr. Cornel West, one of the nation's leading democratic intellectuals, co-hosts of Public Radio's Smiley & West, now take on the "P" word—poverty. *The Rich and the Rest of Us* is the next step in the journey that began with "The Poverty Tour: A Call to Conscience." Smiley and West's 18-city bus tour gave voice to the plight of impoverished Americans of all races, colors, and creeds. With 150 million Americans persistently poor or near poor, the highest numbers in over five decades, Smiley and West argue that now is the time to confront the underlying conditions of systemic poverty in

America before it's too late. By placing the eradication of poverty in the context of the nation's greatest moments of social transformation— such as the abolition of slavery, woman's suffrage, and the labor and civil rights movements—ending poverty is sure to emerge as America's 21st-century civil rights struggle. As the middle class disappears and the safety net is shredded, Smiley and West, building on the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., ask us to confront our fear and complacency with 12 poverty changing ideas. They challenge us to re-examine our assumptions about poverty in America—what it really is and how to eliminate it now.

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The Science of Our Past, Present and Future Transaction Pub

Interrupt the status quo of activity-based PD to enable real professional learning by focusing on learning, collaborative inquiry, and instructional leadership in schools.

Cafes, Coffee Shops, Bookstores, Bars, Hair Salons, and Other Hangouts at the Heart of a Community Corwin Press

Why do so few of us trust our government, take interest in politics, or assume active roles in our communities? Engaged provides a unique perspective on the state of our civic life today and why it matters to democracy. It explores

key aspects of engagement through personal stories, vignette's from the Shaw neighborhood in Washington, DC, and inspiring examples of those who are trying to bring about change. Our political gridlock and the election of 2016 have revealed growing levels of mistrust and disengagement.

Participating in civic life is just not made easy for many us but has demonstrable impact to the world around us. This book makes the case for investing more of our time and energy into our civic lives, both as a country and individuals. Engaged speaks to all Americans -- veterans, entrepreneurs, religious leaders, community organizers, educators, parents, and everyday citizens -- who want to make a difference in the country we all love.

The Collapse and Revival of American Community Abbeville Press

National news reports periodically proclaim that American life is lonelier than ever, and new books on the subject with titles like *Bowling Alone* generate considerable anxiety about the declining quality of Americans' social ties. *Still Connected* challenges such concerns by asking a simple yet significant question: have Americans' bonds with family and friends changed since the 1970s, and, if so, how? Noted sociologist Claude Fischer examines long-term trends in family ties and friendships and paints an insightful and ultimately reassuring portrait of Americans' personal relationships. *Still Connected* analyzes forty years of survey research to address whether and how Americans' personal

ties have changed—their involvement with relatives, the number of friends they have and their contacts with those friends, the amount of practical and emotional support they are able to count on, and how emotionally tied they feel to these relationships. The book shows that Americans today have fewer relatives than they did forty years ago and that formal gatherings have declined over the decades—at least partially as a result of later marriages and more women in the work force. Yet neither the overall quantity of personal relationships nor, more importantly, the quality of those relationships has diminished. Americans' contact with relatives and friends, as well as their feelings of emotional connectedness, has changed relatively little since the 1970s. Although

Americans are marrying later and single people feel lonely, few Americans report being socially isolated and the percentage who do has not really increased. Fischer maintains that this constancy testifies to the value Americans place on family and friends and to their willingness to adapt to changing circumstances in ways that sustain their social connections. For example, children now often have schedules as busy as their parents. Yet today's parents spend more quality time with their children than parents did forty years ago—although less in the form of organized home activities and more in the form of accompanying them to play dates or sports activities. And those family meals at home that seem to be disappearing? While survey research

shows that families dine at home together less often, it also shows that they dine out together more often. Americans are fascinated by the quality of their relationships with family and friends and whether these bonds fray or remain stable over time. With so many voices heralding the demise of personal relationships, it's no wonder that confusion on this topic abounds. An engrossing and accessible social history, *Still Connected* brings a much-needed note of clarity to the discussion. Americans' personal ties, this book assures us, remain strong.

A Roll Down Memory Lane Simon & Schuster

In this book, Sean Safford compares the recent history of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with that of Youngstown,

Ohio. Allentown has seen a noticeable rebound over the course of the past twenty years. Facing a collapse of its steel-making firms, its economy has reinvented itself by transforming existing companies, building an entrepreneurial sector, and attracting inward investment. Youngstown was similar to Allentown in its industrial history, the composition of its labor force, and other important variables, and yet instead of adapting in the face of acute economic crisis, it fell into a mean race to the bottom. Challenging various theoretical perspectives on regional socioeconomic change, *Why the Garden Club Couldn't Save Youngstown* argues that the structure of social networks among the cities' economic, political, and civic leaders account for the divergent

trajectories of post-industrial regions. It offers a probing historical explanation for the decline, fall, and unlikely rejuvenation of the Rust Belt.

Emphasizing the power of social networks to shape action, determine access to and control over information and resources, define the contexts in which problems are viewed, and enable collective action in the face of externally generated crises, this book points toward present-day policy prescriptions for the ongoing plight of mature industrial regions in the U.S. and abroad. *Coming Apart* Oxford University Press, USA

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The Evolution of Social Capital in

Contemporary Society Chronicle Books
An eye-opening investigation of the growing phenomenon of "Relos," the professionals for whom relocation is a way of life Drive through the newest subdivisions of Atlanta, Dallas, or Denver, and you'll notice an unusual similarity in the layout of the houses, the models of the cars, the pastimes of the stay-at-home moms. But this is not your grandparents' suburbia, "the little houses made of ticky-tacky"—these houses go for half a million dollars and up, and no one stays longer than three or four years. You have entered the land of Relos, the mid-level executives for a growing number of American companies, whose livelihoods depend on their willingness to uproot their families in pursuit of professional success. Together

they constitute a new social class, well-off but insecure, well traveled but insular. Peter T. Kilborn, a longtime reporter for The New York Times, takes us inside the lives of American Relos, showing how their distinctive pressures and values affect not only their own families and communities but also the country as a whole. As Relo culture becomes the norm for these workers, more and more Americans—no matter their jobs or the economy's booms and busts—will call Relovilles "home."
Thinking about Social Change in America
Manchester University Press
From The Honeymooners to The Big Lebowski, from The Flintstones to Ed, bowling has rolled right down the middle of American culture like no sport—or even pastime—in the nation's postwar

history. This entertaining, illustrated history illuminates the place that bowling holds in the heart of America, as well as its loftier antecedents and the high-kitsch status all things bowling have recently attained.

Social Science and Moral Obligation

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American political scientist Robert Putnam wasn't the first person to recognize that social capital – the relationships between people that allow communities to function well – is the grease that oils the wheels of society. But by publishing *Bowling Alone*, he moved the debate from one primarily concerned with family and individual relationships one that studied the social capital generated by people's engagement with the civic life. Putnam

drew heavily on the critical thinking skill of interpretation in shaping his work. He took fresh looks at the meaning of evidence that other scholars had made too many assumptions about, and was scrupulous in clarifying what his evidence was really saying. He found that strong social capital has the power to boost health, lower unemployment, and improve life in major ways. As such, any decrease in civic engagement could create serious consequences for society. Putnam's interpretation of these issues led him to the understanding that if America is to thrive, its citizens must connect.

Still Connected Harvard University Press

An eminent political scientist's brilliant analysis of economic, social, and political

trends over the past century demonstrating how we have gone from an individualistic “I” society to a more communitarian “We” society and then back again, and how we can learn from that experience to become a stronger, more unified nation—from the author of *Bowling Alone* and *Our Kids*. Deep and accelerating inequality; unprecedented political polarization; vitriolic public discourse; a fraying social fabric; public and private narcissism—Americans today seem to agree on only one thing: This is the worst of times. But we’ve been here before. During the Gilded Age of the late 1800s, America was highly individualistic, starkly unequal, fiercely polarized, and deeply fragmented, just as it is today. However as the twentieth century opened, America

became—slowly, unevenly, but steadily—more egalitarian, more cooperative, more generous; a society on the upswing, more focused on our responsibilities to one another and less focused on our narrower self-interest. Sometime during the 1960s, however, these trends reversed, leaving us in today’s disarray. In a sweeping overview of more than a century of history, drawing on his inimitable combination of statistical analysis and storytelling, Robert Putnam analyzes a remarkable confluence of trends that brought us from an “I” society to a “We” society and then back again. He draws inspiring lessons for our time from an earlier era, when a dedicated group of reformers righted the ship, putting us on a path to becoming a society once again based on

community. Engaging, revelatory, and timely, this is Putnam's most ambitious

work yet, a fitting capstone to a brilliant career.

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