January

Too many singles hold fear of divorce
Chicago Sun-Times - January 4, 2012
Sharon Sassler, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discovers that divorce concerns may be delaying cohabitators from marrying.

New book illustrates life lessons from an older generation
PBS Newshour - January 5, 2012
Professor Karl Pillemer sits down to discuss his new book, "30 Lessons for Living."

Geddes speaks to Congress on high-speed rail investment
Cornell Chronicle - January 6, 2012
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, urged lawmakers to concentrate on the crowded Northeast corridor for high-speed rail development at a U.S. Congressional hearing Dec. 6.

Cornell economist John Abowd reflects on the nation's current jobs landscape
Reuters - January 6, 2012
Cornell economist John Abowd reflects on the nation's current jobs landscape in this guest appearance on Reuters.

Advice From Life’s Graying Edge on Finishing With No Regrets
Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, explores important findings of his Legacy Project which have big implications for younger generations.

Ways to empower kids to take charge of their health
USA Today - January 11, 2012
An article cites findings by professor of policy analysis and management John Cawley about helping teens to adopt healthier behaviors.

How about New Year’s resolutions you might actually keep?
Leader - January 13, 2012
Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, explores important findings of his Legacy Project which are especially relevant for younger generations.

Urban U.S. Chinatowns wane as Asians head to suburbs
MSNBC - January 19, 2012
Dan Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor of Policy Analysis and Management, explains what is driving population declines in urban Chinatowns. More: The Huffington Post.

Do people become more conservative as they age?
Discovery News - January 19, 2012
In surveying older adults, professor Karl Pillemer found that they are generally more tolerant and open to new ideas as they age, contrary to popular beliefs that they become more conservative.
Couples who cohabitate are happier than marrieds
*MSNBC - January 19, 2012*
Professor Kelly Musick finds that wedded couples report few advantages in psychological well-being, health, or social ties compared to cohabitators. More: Yahoo! News, Cosmopolitan, Self, Catholic News Agency.

Stamp prices to cost a cent more
*American Public Media - January 20, 2012*
Professor Rick Geddes, an expert in the finances of the U.S. Postal Service, discusses the rise in postage costs.

Cohabiting couples are happier than wedded ones
*Cornell Chronicle - January 23, 2012*
When it comes to the well-being of married vs. cohabitating couples, the wedded ones experience few advantages in psychological well-being, health, or social ties, according to a new study by Kelly Musick.

Among disadvantaged, college reduces odds for marriage
*Cornell Chronicle - January 24, 2012*
Kelly Musick, associate professor of policy analysis and management, finds that college attendance unexpectedly lowers the chances that the least advantaged men and women will go on to marry.

Living together may be healthier than marriage, study claims
*Baby Center - January 25, 2012*
Kelly Musick, an associate professor of policy analysis and management, explains why marriage may offer little benefit over simply living together without wedding rings.

The right idea in the wrong place
*The New York Times - January 26, 2012*
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, argues that a proposed high-speed passenger rail project in California would be wasteful and that such projects should occur in the denser Northeast Corridor.

Kids under chronic stress more likely to become obese
*Cornell Chronicle - January 30, 2012*
The more ongoing stress children endure, the greater the odds they will become obese by adolescence, reports Gary Evans, the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor, in the latest issue of the journal Pediatrics.

College may hurt marriage chances for some
*United Press International - January 31, 2012*
Kelly Musick, associate professor of policy analysis and management, finds that college attendance by the least advantaged men and women may lower their odds of ever marrying. More: Jezebel.

Seniors offer tips for happy lives
*Chicago Tribune - January 31, 2012*
Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor of Human Development, describes his research on senior wisdom, known as The Legacy Project, and his book, “30 Lessons for Living.” More: Syracuse Post-Standard, Tampa Bay Times, SunNews TV, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review.
Lessons For Living

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - February 3, 2012
Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, explores important findings of his Legacy Project in this episode of Tapestry with Mary Hynes.

College attendance lowers marriage rate for disadvantaged
The Huffington Post - February 7, 2012
Research by professor Kelly Musick finds that attending college may unexpectedly prevent those from low-income homes and without other social advantages from finding suitable marriage partners. More: MSN Health, Yahoo! News, The Globe and Mail.

Stop feeling sorry for the middle class! They're doing just fine.
The New Republic - February 7, 2012
A piece on the economic status of middle-class Americans points to research by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management. More: The Atlantic.

The marriage problem: Why many are choosing cohabitation instead
The Atlantic - February 7, 2012
Professor Sharon Sassler explains her findings on why some young couples are hesitant to get married.

30 Lessons for Living
Fox Channel 6 – February 10, 2012
Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, explores important findings of his Legacy Project in this interview with Fox.

This Valentine’s Day, readers bring the love
The Chicago Tribune - February 14, 2012
Professor Karl Pillemer distills elder wisdom on love, marriage, and family for nationally syndicated advice columnist Amy Dickinson.

Study: Women leave math-intensive science fields when they decide to have kids
Cornell Chronicle - February 14, 2012
Women with advanced degrees in math-intensive academic fields drop out of fast-track research careers primarily because they want children -- not because their performance is devalued or they are shortchanged during interviewing and hiring, report human development professors Wendy Williams and Stephen Ceci.

Women leave scientific careers after having kids
Yahoo News - February 15, 2012
Human development professors Wendy Williams and Stephen Ceci explain why women who enter motherhood tend to leave scientific careers.

Interracial Marriage in US Hits New High: 1 in 12
New York Times - February 16, 2012
Daniel Lichter, professor of policy analysis and management, is featured in this article noting that interracial marriages within the US have climbed.

Why is it so hard for kids to lose weight?
CNN - February 16, 2012
Gary Evans, the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor in the Departments of Design and Environmental Analysis and of Human Development, comments on his study about how childhood stress often leads kids to become obese.

Obama's election changed racial identity of black students
Cornell Chronicle - February 16, 2012
Barack Obama's presidential victory triggered "encounter experiences" that reshaped African-American college students' identity, find Anthony Burrow, assistant professor of human development, and Anthony Ong, associate professor of human development.

Blame biological clock for dearth of women in math: study
Reuters - February 17, 2012

Latinos drive interracial marriage boost
Fox News - February 20, 2012
In a TV interview, Dan Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, comments on climbing interracial marriage rates. More: Arizona Daily Star, Indianapolis Star, Los Angeles Times.

Words from the wise: Author taps elders' emotional intelligence
Herald Tribune - February 20, 2012
Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, is interviewed on the topic of his Legacy Project and his recent book, 30 Lessons for Living: Tried and True Advice from the Wisest Americans.

Blame biological clock for dearth of women in math: study
Chicago Tribune - February 21, 2012
Human development professors Wendy Williams and Stephen Ceci explain why women who enter motherhood tend to leave scientific careers.

America's crumbling transportation infrastructure
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discusses ideas for rebuilding U.S. roadways.

"30 Lessons for Living" author Karl Pillemer shares life lessons from older Americans
Karl Pillemer participates in a live conversation with readers on his popular book and research project.

Study on education shows Texas lagging behind nation
Houston Chronicle - February 23, 2012
Sharon Sassler, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discusses how the state's low education levels could affect marriage and birth rates.

Want to Build a Better Life? Lawyer Profiled in Book of ‘Wisest Americans’ Offers Insights
ABA Journal - February 23, 2012
Important findings of the Legacy Project of Karl Pillemer, professor of human development, are discussed in this article.

8 lessons for living a full life
The Week - February 24, 2012
Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, presents some of the wisdom shared by America's elders in his research project on their life experiences. More: Psychology Today, Sarasota Herald Tribune, The Montreal Gazette.

Louisiana film investment could win Oscar gold
Marketplace - February 27, 2012
Susan Christopherson, professor of city and regional planning, tells readers why public money spent to lure film projects into a state is not a worthwhile investment.