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To: Public Library Cooperatives in Michigan

Re: New! Memoir about the Upper Peninsula Town of Bessemer (1963-1966)

Available: November 1, 2025

Dear Director,

Do your patrons love a good old-fashioned underdog story? Then look no further than ***Bring One Home: A Memoir of Boyhood, Basketball, and Hometown Spirit***. It is an in-depth look at the true story of the struggles the Bessemer Speedboys high school basketball team faced in the 1960s, which at times mirrored the town's economic hardships of the same period. The story is told through the viewpoint of a young Bessemer boy striving to fulfill the expectations of the adults in his life.

My name is Thomas Pelissero, and I am a local author who grew up in Bessemer, Michigan. I am reaching out to you today with the details behind my first book, *Bring One Home*, with the hope that you will add it to your library collection. People who grew up in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan will especially identify with the characters and themes in my book. Thoroughly researched, *Bring One Home* is rich with the history of the town of Bessemer and the narrative brings the characters to life. It is a good fit for any reader that loves a small-town story, high school sports sagas, or life in the 1960's.

If you have questions, you can reach me at tlpelissero@sellarstreetboys.com or 906-364-2490. For more information about the author contact Melissa Lupino - Librarian at Bessemer Public Library 906-663-4311 or Lynn Wiercinski - Director of the Carnegie Library in Ironwood at 906-932-4789.

Title: Bring One Home: A Memoir of Boyhood, Basketball, and Hometown Spirit

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I've enclosed the cover image and a one-page information sheet with more details. I am available to speak on the phone or on e-mail to answer your questions. Thank you for supporting Michigan stories and local storytellers.

Sincerely,

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