



ANGELA
LEON

"I would have written about the window. It reminds me of the distorted view of reality we often see through technology. Whether social media, our artificial personal assistants, or the app/services we use - the way we experience the world around us is often a warped version of real life."

Angela Leon is an account director for Airfoil Group's consumer technology practice. She has worked as a marketing communications professional for more than 10 years. Angela's work on the launch of the Parrot AR Drone in 2010 received a PRSA Silver Anvil Award of Excellence, a Platinum Hermes Creative Award and an IABC Detroit Award of Excellence.

Angela Corsi Leon is a former Miss Michigan and serves as the executive director for the Kirsten Haglund Foundation.

Angela is a graduate of Michigan State University. She is married and has two beautiful little girls.



ELLEN
DEMRAY

"I would write about the cowboy because it reminds me of the wonderful horseback trips my sons took with their father when they were young. They had their own horses and learned so many life lessons from those experiences that I think a good story could easily develop around them."

Ellen Demray received the State of Michigan Exemplary Blue Ribbon School Award in 2005, the same year she was named State Principal of the Year by the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association! Ellen was honored in Washington DC as a National Distinguished Principal in 2006.

Ellen enjoys more travel time in retirement and spends as much time as she can visiting her three grandchildren. *(Suggestion: Maybe one day she'll take them horseback riding!)*



PAUL
ROSSI

"I would write about Flags. The waving stars and stripes make me think of the many stories of patriotism, bravery, and heroism of the people of the United States, now and in days past. The exploding fireworks help me reconnect with the many fireworks shows I've witnessed throughout my life and the feeling of anticipation and excitement that went along with each. The inspirational image creates a universal connection between author and reader and provides unlimited options for drafting a story or poem."

Paul Rossi is a Learning Support Specialist at University Liggett Middle School in Grosse Pointe Woods, where he serves as a mentor leader for the First Tech Challenge Robotics Team and supervises a Michigan DNR Salmon in the Classroom Tank. Paul received a B.A. in Elementary Education from Michigan State University and an M.A. in Education from Wayne State University.

Paul enjoys reading, hunting, exploring all the nooks and crannies of Michigan and spending time with his wife and two sons.



KURT
KUBAN

"I would have chosen the bridge photo to write about. I am a lover of history and of civilizations. This photo reminds me that we all stand in the shadows cast down upon us by the history of civilization and mankind in general. All the people who came before have built a bridge -- all the knowledge accumulated by man -- for us to journey upon. The bridge leads us to the future. Where we end up, as we cross that bridge, is really up to each one of us as individuals.

Kurt Kuban is the editor of Northville Today, and other publications by Community Publishing. He has a BA from University of Tampa and a Graduate Fellowship from University of Ottawa. Kurt has received awards from the Michigan Press Assoc. and the Society of Professional Journalists. He owns Streamside Journal.com. and is an organizer of the annual Rouge Rescue event - where he was honored with the James Poplin Award for volunteerism.

Kurt is married to Cheryl and the father of three - Maggie, Kameron and Kaden.



LINDA
LIEDEL

*"Majestic peaks reaching up, up, up
To touch the beautiful wispy clouds in the sky.
Snow glistening like tiny crushed diamonds
Sprinkled over its crest on high.
Rocky paths cutting through the rugged terrain
Like brown ribbons in a young girl's hair.
Cascading frigid crystal clear water crashing over
The mighty boulders with dancing colors so rare.
These are the mountains that I lovingly call home
And hold so dear to my heart.
I smile knowing they will still stand that way forever after I leave
And we shall have to part."*

Linda Liedel became involved with the Northville Art House several years ago as a volunteer. She retired from the education community and is now a very active Board member on the Northville Arts Commission. Retirement has allowed her to enjoy a passion for painting and writing children's books.

Linda and her husband have lived in Northville for more than 20 years.



LISA
BARRY

"Gloria and Gary were neighbors but their property was separated by a long plastic fence. Gary was a master baker and loved to share his treats with his neighbor. Who knows maybe sharing a creamy freshly frosted cupcake or some warm baked cookies could lead to something else! So instead of walking up and down the property, Gloria ripped a small hole in the fence just big enough for Gary to pass one of his freshly baked treats through in hopes of getting to know Gloria just a little bit better."

Lisa Barry is the local anchor for NPR's *All Things Considered* on WEMU. She has enjoyed a lifetime of airtime...having been heard on radio stations WNIC, WYCD, WXYT and WJR. Lisa has interviewed presidents, movie stars, news makers and music makers. Lisa received the "Outstanding Woman in Communications" award from the American Women in Radio and Television Organization.

Lisa is on the Board for the Northville Community Foundation and is one of the emcees for Northville's 4th of July parade.



MICHELE
FECHT

"My selection for Short on Words would be the image of the flags highlighted by the explosion of fireworks. At a time of extraordinary political discord and division in our country, I can think of no better unifying symbol than the American flag. Long may she wave."

Michele Fecht has been a writer and editor for more than 30 years. She worked as a reporter for The Northville Record, and The Detroit News. Her work has appeared in The Chicago Tribune, Hour Detroit magazine and a host of other publications.

A resident of the City of Northville since 1986, she and her husband Steve have two grown children, Clara and David.



PAT
FELDT

"I would have chosen to write about the runway model at the beginning. But after reading all the great stories about the painted lady and the mountain I might have chosen one of those..."

Patricia Feldt enjoys reading and writing - and she has since childhood. Pat's Irish heritage may have something to do with her passion, her great-grandfather was an Irish poet. She has been a storyteller for as long as she can remember. Pat had a piece published in The MacGuffin while in college and had a one-act play performed by the Livonia Redford Community Theater.

Pat is the mother of nine and the grandmother of 11.. and counting!



JILL
KARA

"I'd write about the mountain as it seems mysterious to me, and I'm always up for solving a good mystery!"

Jill Kara teaches Freshman English, Freshman Seminar, Academic Seminar, Drama I & II and is the Drama Director at the St. Catherine of Siena Academy in Wixom. She loves to learn, and looks forward to learning new things every day right along with her students.

Jill has her Bachelors Degree in English (with minors in both Communications and History) from Michigan State University, and a Masters Degree in Literacy Education (Reading Specialty) from Madonna University.

Jill lives in Northville with her husband Michael and three children - Parker, Emaline and Madeline.