I am from the motor city,
Naming mustangs, Fords, Chevys and more by three.
Yes I am for a “bailout”. Do you want to see a city die?
I am from the sawdust of the John R Fruitmarket,
Butcher shop and deli, blood mixed with dust,
Traveling down Woodward Avenue on the bus,
I am from the neighborhood of big families,
Me, youngest of a small family of six,
My friends from the more normal size families of 10, 12, 14.
I am from Shrine of Church of the Little Flower,
Magnet catholic school meeting kids from all over.
I have siblings who traveled, opening doors for me.
India, Africa, Dominican Republic.
Irish-Italian and Chinese family now.
Journey of teaching my children and toddlers and adult students
Teaching me about languages and culture and learning.