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## We Hope You Enjoy Your Pumpkin!

The following is a listing of some of the properties that have sold in our Maple Leaf neighborhood during the months of August and September, 2005.

Do you wonder what your home may be worth? The decor, features and condition all have a bearing on the price a home will command. We have seen the interiors of most of the homes on this chart.

If you are considering selling your home, please let us help you. By discussing the details with you, viewing your home and preparing a market analysis, we can provide you with useful information, such as a sales price that might realistically be expected in today's market.

<u>Address</u>	<u>Bdrms/Baths</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>Sales Price</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Bdrms/Baths</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>Sales Price</u>
9025 5th Ave NE	4/1.75	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$460,000	817 NE 97th St	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$384,000
1520 102nd St NE	2/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$305,000	1541 NE 88th St	3/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$400,000
8224 15th Ave NE	1/1.75	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$330,000	2130 NE 83rd St	3/2	1 ½ Story	\$400,000
1060 NE 97th St	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$341,100	9223 15th Ave NE	3/2	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$416,200
10707 NE 95th St	5/2	1 Story w/bsmt	\$375,000	834 NE 88th St	3/2.25	1 Story w/bsmt	\$467,500
1020 NE 89th St	3/1	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$425,000	9508 17th Ave NE	4/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$469,000
1222 NE 104th St	4/2.75	Split Entry	\$439,950	1545 NE 96th St	3/2	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$484,500
9025 5th Ave NE	4/1.75	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$460,000	527 NE 85th St	4/2.25	2 Story	\$499,000
10307 15th Ave NE	3/2.5	2 Story	\$465,000	807 NE 98th St	4/2.5	2 Story	\$525,000
10710 19th Ave NE	3/1.5	1 Story	\$465,000	802 NE 103rd St	4/2.5	2 Story	\$564,950
1018 NE 96th St	3/2	1 ½ Story w/bsmt	\$375,000	1239 NE 96th St	5/3.5	2 Story w/bsmt	\$733,000
9222 15th Ave NE	3/1.5	1 Story w/bsmt	\$381,000				
817 NE 97th St	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$384,000				

*Information courtesy of NWMLS & is subject to change without notice*

# A Thumbnail History of Maple Leaf

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## Seattle Moves North

Until 1954, the city limits stopped at N 85th Street, which was also the limit of streetcar service. In 1955, Sacajawea School was started with nine portable buildings. A permanent structure was opened in 1959. By 1961, the enrollment was 500. The area south of the school, including the street, became Sacajawea Playfield in 1971.

Monumental changes swept around Maple Leaf during the last half of the twentieth century. After World War II, Lake City Way NE became a main corridor for the housing boom that swept the area. In 1950, Northgate, the first regional shopping center, opened its doors and parking lots northwest of the neighborhood. In the mid-1960s, Interstate-5 sliced along the western boundary of the hill.

## The Community Organizes

As early as 1900, Seattle neighborhoods began organizing to put their interests before the city council. Groups lobbied for everything from electric service to parks and boulevards, and usually got results. Maple Leaf did not become active until 1983 when, under the leadership of Puni Hokea and Peter Orser, they formed the Maple Leaf Community Council.

Quietly, persistently, the group worked to improve services, yet preserve their sense of community. Without confrontation and without blocking a single building permit, the group managed to scale back the zoning of Roosevelt Way NE so that businesses had to provide off-street parking. The group was "articulate and well organized" (*The Weekly*).

## National Recognition

In 1986, Neighborhoods USA, a Nashville-based non-profit organization that promoted and built neighborhood organizations, selected Maple Leaf for distinction. From more than 500 nominees Maple Leaf was chosen as one of three finalists for Neighborhood of the Year in the category, "Single Community, Resident Physical Needs" (*The Seattle Times*).

It was the only neighborhood west of St. Paul and Dallas to make it to the semi-finals. In a statement, Mayor Charles Royer said, "It has a 'can do' attitude and works cooperatively with government, business, and other neighborhoods. In doing so, the Maple Leaf Community Council never loses track of what will benefit the neighborhood and the residents."

## Environmental Activism

In 2000, Maple Leaf joined other North End groups in opposing the expansion of Northgate into its south parking lot. The historic South Branch of Thornton Creek had been buried in pipes when the shopping center was constructed in 1950. The expansion would have precluded forever "day-lighting" the creek -- restoring it so that it would support spawning salmon. Eventually, the developers abandoned the expansion plans and offered the property for sale.

One distinctive feature of Maple Leaf is the Northwest Puppet Center at 9123 15th Avenue NE. The converted church serves as home to the Carter Family Marionettes. The Carters are especially known for their mastery and preservation of the traditional Sicilian marionette theater known as Opera dei Pupi. The Puppet Center produces over 250 performances a year.

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## October Events

Rosh Hashanah	Oct. 4th
Columbus Day	Oct. 10th
Yom Kippur	Oct. 13th
Daylight Savings Ends Fall Back! Don't forget to turn back your clocks, and check the batteries in your smoke detectors!	Oct. 30th
Halloween	Oct. 31st

## Pumpkin Patches

Biringer Farm 14625 40th Place NE, Everett Weekends. <a href="http://www.biringerfarm.com">www.biringerfarm.com</a>	425.259.0255
Carlton Farm 830 Sunnyside Blvd SE, Everett Daily. <a href="http://www.carletonfarm.com">www.carletonfarm.com</a>	425.334.2297
Craven Farm 3817 Short School Rd, Snohomish Daily. <a href="http://www.cravenfarm.com">www.cravenfarm.com</a>	360.568.2601
The Farm 7301 Rivershore Road, Snohomish Daily. <a href="http://www.thefarm1.com">www.thefarm1.com</a>	425.334.4124
Foster's Produce and Corn Maze 5818 SR 530 N.E. Arlington 360.435.5095 Daily. <a href="http://www.fosterscornmaze.com">www.fosterscornmaze.com</a>	
Jubilee Farm 229 W Snoqualmie River Rd NE, Carnation. Weekends. <a href="http://www.jubileefarm.org">www.jubileefarm.org</a>	425.222.4558
Maris Farms 24713 Sumner-Buckley Hwy Buckley Tues-Sun. <a href="http://www.marisfarms.com">www.marisfarms.com</a>	253.862.2848
Stocker Farms 10622 Airport Way, Snohomish Daily. <a href="http://www.stockerfarms.com">www.stockerfarms.com</a>	360.568.7391
South 47 Farm 15410 Northeast 124th Street, Redmond Thursday-Sunday <a href="http://www.farmllc.com">www.farmllc.com</a>	425.869.9777



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