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Ravenna Area



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Happy Thanksgiving!

The following is a listing of some of the properties that have sold in our Ravenna neighborhood during the months of September and October, 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>
2216 NE 75th St	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$327,500	7016 15th Ave NE	5/1.75	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$449,000
8224 15th Ave NE	1/1.75	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$330,000	7330 23rd Ave NE	3/1.75	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$450,000
7505 Ravenna	2/1.5	1 Story w/bsmt	\$331,000	6848 16th Ave NE	3/2	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$455,000
8054 17th Ave NE	2/1.5	1 Story	\$334,000	1250 NE 69th St	3/1.5	1 Story w/bsmt	\$456,000
7805 8th Ave NE	3/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$341,000	8024 19th Ave NE	3/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$471,000
8037 Ravenna Ave NE	2/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$341,000	6831 18th Ave NE	4/1.75	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$480,000
7557 Ravenna Ave NE	2/1	1 Story	\$341,500	2010 NE 80th St	3/1.5	2 Story w/bsmt	\$495,000
1316 NE 65th	5/2	1 Story w/bsmt	\$355,000	7345 18th Ave NE	3/2.5	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$499,000
7616 15th Ave NE	3/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$375,000	527 NE 85th St	4/2.25	2 Story	\$499,000
7744 20th Ave NE	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$380,000	7323 NE 16th Ave NE	3/2.25	2 Story w/bsmt	\$507,500
7715 24th Ave NE	2/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$385,000	518 NE 70th St	3/2.5	Townhome	\$620,000
1413 NE 70th St	3/1	1 Story w/bsmt	\$390,000	6516 16th Ave NE	4/1.75	1 Story w/bsmt	\$529,000
2130 NE 83rd St	3/2	1½ Story	\$400,000	7702 15th Ave NE	5/3.25	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$530,000
824 NE 69th St	3/1	1½ Story w/bsmt	\$405,000	7208 8th Ave NE	4/2.75	2 Story	\$540,000
6514-A 24th Ave NE	2/2.5	Townhouse	\$430,000	1518 NE 68th St	3/3.25	2 Story w/bsmt	\$680,000

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A Thumbnail History of Ravenna

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Not In My Back Yard

Residents of Ravenna have always been fiercely resistant to changes in the environmental quality of the neighborhood. This is possibly because so many faculty and staff at the University of Washington made the area their home.

In 1948, the community battled the City Engineer over efforts to divert Ravenna Creek into sewers. In 1983, protests against the spraying of the pesticide carbaryl by the state Department of Agriculture to combat an infestation of gypsy moths resulted in a switch to a different compound. The alternative spray was successful. In 1991, the community blocked a city plan to dig up the park for a new sewer.

Old Rough 'n' Ready Remembered

When Theodore Roosevelt died in 1919, citizens showered the city with his memory. The new high school bore his name and 10th Avenue NE became Roosevelt Way NE. The area between Ravenna Boulevard and Lake City Way NE became the Roosevelt District after a naming contest sponsored by the Commercial Club in 1927. Roosevelt Way connected with Lake City Way NE (also called Bothell Road and Victory Way) and became part of the Pacific Highway between Mexico and Canada.

The construction of Interstate-5 in the early 1960s redefined the western boundary of the district. From 1919 to 1931, Ravenna Park was named Roosevelt Park, but residents lobbied the Parks Board to restore the original designation.

In 1911, 10th Avenue NE was an unpaved country road. In the 1920s, a thriving commercial district sprung up along Roosevelt Way NE as the automobile transformed America. On January 1, 1928, Sears, Roebuck & Co. opened its North Seattle store at NE 65th Street. The giant retailer closed that store in January 1980, and the building was turned into Roosevelt Square shopping arcade.

The growth in the University of Washington after 1950 meant that many faculty, staff, and students made their homes in the district. In 1945, there were 7,000 students. That number tripled over the next 15 years and almost doubled five years after that. That diverse cultural influence resulted at the end of the century in a "Metaphysical Belt... including an institute of Chinese medicine, Ananda yoga and meditation, acupuncture, various types of massage, reflexology and other alternative disciplines. It also has three major esoteric bookstores that complement each other" (Seattle P-I).

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November Events

Election Day Nov. 8th
Don't Forget to Vote!

Veteran's Day Nov. 11th

Best of the Northwest Nov 18-20
Marketplace of Fine Art and Crafts, at Sand Point Magnuson Park, 7400 Sand Point Way NE, 10am - 6pm. Start your holiday shopping! www.bestnwcrafts.com.

Thanksgiving Day Nov. 24th

Thanksgiving at the Zoo Nov. 24th
Feast among the beasts with a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at the Rain Forest Food Pavilion! Tear into a traditional Thanksgiving feast and afterwards walk off your full tummy with a wildlife adventure throughout the zoo! Advance reservations and pre-payment required. www.zoo.org

Season of Light Auction Nov. 26th
Featuring Festival of Trees. Celebrate the holiday season "Spanish Style" at The Fairmont Olympic Spanish Ballroom. Proceeds benefit Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. For info seasonoflight.seattlechildrens.org.

Christmas in Sweden Nov. 26th
Swedish Christmas bazaar and children's program for the entire family. Also featuring: food, games, live entertainment, traditional dance around the Christmas tree and a visit from Santa-Jultomten. At the Swedish Cultural Center 1920 Dexter Ave N. Seattle, WA 98109. www.swedishculturalcenter.org

Winterfest at Seattle Center
From late November through December, Winterfest offers ice skating, holiday train, giving tree, concerts, dances, exhibits and plenty of holiday fun for family, friends and out of town guests at the Seattle Center. Call (206) 684-7200