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The wind comes
and the leaves fall like golden rain.

I wish it were money
I could spend on more years of my life
so I could enjoy watching the leaves
fall through the branches of the trees
waiting out their time until winter comes
and they are bare to the wood.

The cold snaps and the colors change,
evergreens don't and wait for snow.

Until then everyone looks at the other trees,
their yellows, browns, reds, oranges, and fading greens.

Suddenly, the rain falls like heavy coins,
breaking the vivid leaves from their branches.

The evergreen stands alone,
laden with color,
greener than a dollar bill,
waiting for snow.