The Celts started the whole thing, dressing up on All Hallow's Eve and dancing and singing and singing and dancing until they met a monk and killing him. Rumor has it that they did it to celebrate winter's onset. Who knows? The Romans later assimilated the holiday (after annexing the Celts) and renamed it All Soul's Day. They kept things fairly close to an own.

And so it comes to us, as Halloween: egg fights, cheap spoken masks, chalk marks and angel hair. (No applies with razors).

Larry Radioppo likes the day enough to have spent the last five Halloween's photographing trick-or-treaters in Sunset Park. The photographs are on view at the new 11th Street East Gallery, 339 East 11th Street. Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 6 p.m. Ralph Lee likes Halloween so much he holds a yearly parade, with his famous puppets, sahra birds, street-side ghosts and 50,000 or so locals who know a good party when they see one. The route map to this year's parade is drawn by Marc Rosenblat. Don't miss it.