

Flipsydz at Caffe Lena



Who doesn't love the '50s? (Who can remember the '50s?) When men were men and singers didn't need bands or musicians, they just sang four-part harmony by (and for) themselves, often just out on the street corner, in the still of the night. Specializing in doo-wop from of the '50s and '60s from the streets of Philadelphia and Brooklyn, the Flipsydz ("Flip Sides") will be bringing that timeless sound to Saratoga.

Three generations of singers, including Don Tosti (baritone/tenor) Tom Torbeka (bass/baritone) Pete Avides (tenor/baritone) and Stan Simkins (tenor/falsetto), the local group has a CD called "Hangin' On The Corner With The Flipsydz" and has performed at Proctors, Saratoga Racetrack, Saratoga National Golf Course, Saratoga First Night and of course, the upstate home of doo-wop, Caffe Lena.

Be it a lush "Two Silhouettes on the Shade" or the joyful "Up On The Roof," this quartet knows how to blend perfectly and seamlessly. The big question is if there will be a protest at the famed folk music spot because there will be four singers and not one guitar?

— *David Malachowski*

7 p.m. Sunday, Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$15,

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