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Pair of weekend shutouts for Raiders

After picking up their ninth win in the last 10 games Saturday night, the Georgetown Raiders are making a late regular-season charge to perhaps grab first place in the Ontario Junior Hockey League's South/West Conference.

With nine games remaining, the 31-11-1-2 Raiders have already sewn up second place in the conference as the runaway leader in the West Division standings, but are now just seven points back of the South/West front-running 35-7-0-2 Toronto Patriots, who would appear to have a much more difficult schedule in the final month of the campaign.

Those teams meet twice more, with both games in Georgetown on Feb. 7 and 14.

And the defending league-champion Raiders not only have veteran Ontario Hockey Leaguer Troy Timpano between the pipes for the stretch run. Seventeen-year-old Oshawa Generals' prospect Nathan Torchia collected his third shutout in only nine

starts for Georgetown in a 3-0 win Saturday over the visiting Orangeville Flyers, making 33 saves to improve his record to 7-2-0.

Dominic Dumas, Jonathan Hampton and Andrew Court scored for the Raiders.

On Friday evening in Lindsay, Matt McJannet, Court, Brendan D'Agostino, Austin Cho, Dumas, Jason Smith and Derek McVey tallied in a 7-0 pasting of the last-place Muskies. Timpano recorded the shutout, making 29 stops, while Georgetown fired 58 shots on the Lindsay net.

Georgetown hosts the 15-25-4-1 Whitby Fury Wednesday at the Alcott Arena at 7:30 p.m. and will take on the Mississauga Chargers Saturday night at the Tomken Arena.

Thanks to their recent hot streak, the Raiders have jumped back into the Canadian Junior Hockey League's Top 20 Weekly Rankings, sitting in 18th spot. The Patriots are best out of the OJHL clubs with a seventh-place ranking.

Local-area high school teams court playoff berths

Basketball and volleyball teams from Halton Hills looking to make the playoffs in Halton high school athletics won't have much time to work with when the exam break ends later this week.

In senior boys' hoops action, Georgetown District High School owns a 5-3 record with a pair of road games against T.A. Blake-lock and Craig Kielburger before the Halton Secondary School Athletic Association post-season begins.

Christ the King's senior boys, with a 3-8 mark, will host Bishop Reding on Monday, Feb. 5 in their last regular-season game in the Halton Catholic Athletic Association league.

After a 2-2 start to the year, Acton's senior Bearcats have dropped four straight games.

On the volleyball court, Christ the King's senior girls have won three straight matches and sit at 8-3 and the Jaguars can clinch first place in the



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Christ the King's Stipe Prusina keeps the Loyola Hawks' offence in check during their recent Halton Catholic Athletic Association senior boys hoops matchup in Georgetown prior to the exam break. The Jaguars cut Loyola's lead to four points at one point, but couldn't get any closer and lost 48-34.

HCAA's East Pool with a win in their final regular-season contest on Monday, Feb. 5 at home against 6-5 Bishop Reding of Milton.

Meanwhile, George-

town's 2-6 senior girls can still make the HSSAA Tier 1 playoffs by winning their final two regular-season matches next week against Iroquois Ridge and King's

Christian.

The 4-5 Acton Bearcats are also close to a playoff berth in the HSSAA Tier II loop with one match left on the schedule.

Sports Hall of Fame accepting nominations

The Halton Hills Sports Museum is looking for athletes, teams or builders worthy of being inducted into the annual Halton Hills Sports Museum Hall of Fame in 2018.

The museum, located in the Mold-Masters

SportsPlex, is seeking nominees for the gala induction ceremony on Thursday, June 21 at the John Elliott Theatre in Georgetown.

Tickets for the gala are \$30 each. The evening begins with a reception at 6

p.m. and the formal awards ceremony begins at 7 p.m.

Special guest speaker for the evening is Canadian thoroughbred racing legend Sandy Hawley.

Any person or team who is, or has been distin-

guished as an athlete, executive member or coach, or, who has brought honour to Halton Hills, will be eligible for election, provided he or she was a resident of the Town of Halton Hills at the time of the achievement, which is

the basis for his, her or their consideration.

Builder candidates may be either active or inactive at the time of their consideration.

Deadline for nominations is Feb. 28.

Drop off, mail or email

nomination forms to:

HHSM Selection Committee, Chairman John Boyce, 8 Hillside Dr., Georgetown, ON, L7G 4W3

For more information email jboyce3@cogeco.ca or phone 905-877-8911.

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