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Hockey Season Ends Thursday For WLU

With A Game At York University

The final game of the 68-69 hockey season for the waterloo Lutheran University Golden Hawks is scheduled for this Thursday, February 27, and a win could mean the difference between second or fourth place.

After winning only two of their first five games the Hawks have come on strong in the last half of the schedule. They have now won four straight and need only one more victory to move into a tie for second place with the Ryerson Rams.

Should the Hawks defeat York Thursday evening they would finish with a 7-3 won-lost record, as did Ryerson. However, a loss to York would allow the Yoemen to tie for second while WLU would finish fourth. A tie would leave both York and WLU dead-locked for third with 6-3-1 won-lost-tied records.

The 68-69 season has been one of the best for the Golden Hawks in recent years. WLU has had be far the best goaltending in the league with first year men Gerry Goebel and Larry Reid combining to hold the opposition to only 23 goals in nine games. Ryerson is next in the standings with 33 goals against them in 10 games. Assuming that WLU will hold York to nine goals or less Goebel and Reid should capture the goaltending award.

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Unfortunately, the playoff system in the OIAA does not allow the second place finisher to contest the league championship, as does the OQAA. WLU having reached its peak in the second half of the season could tie for second place, only two points behind the OIAA champion, Laurentian Voyageurs. Playing the caliber of hockey that they have been putting forward lately The Golden Hawks would be a good match for any university team in the country.

Game time for the hockey match to be held Thursday at York University is 8 p.m.