The Coach's Corner (Feb. 13, 2007)

ANNCR: This is "The Coach's Corner" with RIT Tigers hockey coach Wayne Wilson. Here's WYSL 1040's J.C. DeLass.

DELASS: Coach, you've got the team on the verge of winning the Atlantic Hockey regular-season title. Now, are you surprised how far this team has come this year?

WILSON: I guess I've been surprised, one with their consistency from day one. You know, we've had to work extremely hard every game and have been able to come up with great efforts. We haven't laid too many eggs this year. When you talk [about] a long season, there's going to be hiccups along the way and you're going to have some letdowns, but they've been few and far between so far for us.

DELASS: Before the year started, you knew you wouldn't be in the post season, but as well as this team is playing that's actually must sting a little bit.

WILSON: It does a little bit, but as I've said, I guess a few times now, is that we knew what we were getting involved with when we joined the league, and so the only thing we can compete for and that we talked about at the beginning of the year was winning a regular season championship. I'm sure the guys are wondering 'what if' we were able to continue on.

DELASS: Coach, the last two home games of the season this weekend, with Mercyhurst coming to town for a pair.

WILSON: Mercyhurst is another team that's desperate to move up in the standings and have kind of caught fire here as of late. We've got a hot team coming into our building and we want to stay focused and continue to play the way we have been all year long and we're capable of playing.

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