

**Dick Biddle**  
**Head Coach**  
**11th Season**

Dick Biddle is in his 11th season as head coach of the Raiders. He was named Colgate's 29th head football coach in November of 1995 after serving as an assistant coach for a total of 10 years with the Raiders. He was given the job of rebuilding Colgate's program which hadn't seen a winning season since 1990. And it's been a continuous ride to the top for Colgate under Biddle's tutelage.

Over the last 10 seasons, Biddle has reached the 84-win plateau; the fastest of any coach in Colgate's gridiron history. He comes into the 2006 season needing 12 victories to become the winningest football coach in school history.

He has achieved the best winning percentage (.705) of any Colgate coach with seven or more years at the helm of the Raiders. Biddle is also the first Colgate coach to ever record nine straight seasons with seven or more victories.

He has been named Patriot League Coach of the Year three times including last season, when he guided the Raiders to a fifth Patriot League title and fifth appearance in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

In 2003, Biddle was named the American Football Coaches Association Division I-AA National Coach of



the Year after leading the Raiders to a 15-1 record, and to the national championship game of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

In his first season, Biddle not only produced a winning campaign, but became only the third head coach in Division I or I-AA history to record a winning record the season after a team suffered through a 0-11 campaign.

For his effort, Biddle was selected by his coaching peers as the Patriot League Coach of the Year, and was named the co-recipient of Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year Award.

In his second season he brought home the first Patriot League championship along with Colgate's first appearance in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs since 1983. His back-to-back winning seasons were the first since 1982 and 1983.

Biddle's effort was recognized again by his peers with his second straight selection as Colgate's Coach of the Year.

In 1998, Biddle produced eight victories en route to a second straight appearance in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. His victory total was the highest since the 1983 campaign.

He continued Colgate's success story in 1999 with the school's second Patriot League championship and third consecutive berth in the Division I-AA playoffs. En route to the playoffs, the Raiders tied the school record for victories in a season with 10.

For his effort, Biddle was named a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Coach

of the Year Award, presented annually to the top coach in Division I-AA.

In 2000, the Raiders posted their fifth straight winning season under Biddle with a 7-4 record. They finished second in the Patriot League standings.

The Raiders (7-3) finished second again in the Patriot League in 2001.

In 2002, Colgate (9-3) captured its third Patriot League title under Biddle, and won seven or more games for the sixth straight season. Biddle became the first Colgate coach to be named a three-time winner of the Howard Hartman Award.

The 2003 campaign was arguably the greatest in school history when the Raiders captured the imagination of the collegiate football world becoming the first non-scholarship program to advance to the title game of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

En route, Colgate won a school record 15 contests establishing a Division I-AA record for victories in a season.

After finishing 2004 with a 7-4 mark, the Raiders captured their fifth Patriot League title this past fall, and a berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. It was fifth time in 10 seasons that Colgate has won eight or more games in a season finishing 8-4.

Under Biddle, the Raiders have produced an explosive offense finishing in the Top 10 nationally in rushing three times and twice in total offense. In 2000, Colgate was fourth in the nation in rushing defense and in 2003 the Raiders finished sixth against the rush.

Biddle, 58, came back to Colgate in 1992 as defensive coordinator and linebacker coach under Mike Foley. He had previously coached at Colgate under Fred Dunlap from 1977



**Biddle vs. Conferences**

Conference	W	L
Patriot League	50	11
Ivy League	26	5
Atlantic-10	3	10
I-AA Independents	3	1
Gateway	1	1
Mid-American	1	0
Northeast	0	1
Conference USA	0	1
Southern	0	1
I-A Independents	0	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>35</b>



through 1982.

"Of all the places I've coached, I always considered Colgate as my best experience. It's a great school and has a national reputation in regards to its academic and athletic programs. It is an honor and privilege to be the head coach of Colgate football," said Biddle. "I feel that I'm representing all the great players and coaches who have worked at Colgate."

Biddle came back to Colgate in 1992 after two seasons at the United



States Naval Academy, where he served as linebacker coach in his first season and defensive coordinator and linebacker coach in the second season.

Biddle previously coached at Colgate from 1977 through the 1982 season. He was defensive line coach for six seasons, and served as defensive coordinator his final two campaigns with the Raiders.

During that tenure, Colgate posted five winning seasons, including the first 10-win season in the school's history in 1977, and it's first post-season NCAA Division I-AA playoff appearance in 1982.

Prior to Navy, Biddle was an assistant coach at the University of Minnesota for five years. He first joined the Golden Gophers under Lou Holtz. Following Holtz's departure for Notre Dame, Biddle served as linebacker coach under John Gutekunst for four

## The Biddle File

### Personal

**Name:** Richard Lee Biddle

**Birthdate:** November 26, 1947

**Age:** 58

**Head Coaching Record:** 84-35 (11th season)

**Wife:** The former Sheila Godfrey of Hamilton, N.Y.

**Children:** Jason (33), Brendon (25)

### Education

**College:** Duke University, B.A. in History, 1971

**High School:** Parkersburg HS, Parkersburg, W.Va.

### Athletic

**Parkersburg HS:** football, wrestling, tennis

**Fork Union Military Academy:** football, wrestling

**Duke University:** football (3-year letterwinner, co-captain 1970)

### Coaching

1973	Allegheny College	Defensive Line/Wide Receivers
1974	Allegheny College	Off. & Def. Lines/Linebackers
1975	Allegheny College	Off. & Def. Lines/Linebackers
1976	Allegheny College	Off. & Def. Lines/Linebackers
1977	Colgate University	Defensive Line
1978	Colgate University	Defensive Line
1979	Colgate University	Defensive Line
1980	Colgate University	Defensive Line
1981	Colgate University	Defensive Coordinator/Line
1982	Colgate University	Defensive Coordinator/Line (NCAA I-AA Playoffs)
1983	Virginia Tech	Linebackers
1984	Virginia Tech	Linebackers (Independence Bowl)
1985	Univ. of Minnesota	Linebackers (Independence Bowl)
1986	Univ. of Minnesota	Linebackers (Liberty Bowl)
1987	Univ. of Minnesota	Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
1988	Univ. of Minnesota	Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
1989	Univ. of Minnesota	Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
1990	U.S. Naval Academy	Linebackers
1991	U.S. Naval Academy	Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
1992	Colgate University	Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
1993	Colgate University	Wide Receivers
1994	Colgate University	Running Backs
1995	Colgate University	Running Backs
1996	Colgate University	Head Coach (6-5)
1997	Colgate University	Head Coach (7-5, PL Title, NCAA I-AA Playoffs)
1998	Colgate University	Head Coach (8-4, NCAA I-AA Playoffs)
1999	Colgate University	Head Coach (10-2, PL Title, NCAA I-AA Playoffs)
2000	Colgate University	Head Coach (7-4)
2001	Colgate University	Head Coach (7-3)
2002	Colgate University	Head Coach (9-3, PL Title)
2003	Colgate University	Head Coach (15-1, PL Title, NCAA I-AA Finalist)
2004	Colgate University	Head Coach (7-4)
2005	Colgate University	Head Coach (8-4, PL Title, NCAA I-AA Playoffs)

***Coach Biddle has the highest winning percentage of any current coach in Patriot League play, and the second best of all coaches in the 20-year history of the league.***

***He has won .819 percent of his Patriot League games winning 50 of 61 contests.***

**Winningest Active Div. I-AA Coaches  
(by Percentage)**

**(Minimum five years as Division I-A and/or Division I-AA head coach; record at four-year colleges only)**

Coach, College	Years	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Mike Kelly, Dayton	25	231	47	1	.829
Al Bagnoli, Penn	24	185	58	0	.761
Pete Richardson, Southern	18	150	57	1	.723
Joe Taylor, Hampton	22	183	71	4	.717
<b>Dick Biddle, Colgate</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.705</b>



seasons - the last three as defensive coordinator. After leaving Colgate in 1982, he joined the staff at Virginia Tech where he worked with the linebackers for two campaigns.

He came to Colgate the first time from Allegheny College in Pennsylvania where he began his coaching career in 1973. During his first year at Allegheny, he coached the defensive line and wide receivers. For the last three seasons, he was in charge of both the defensive and offensive lines and linebackers.

In his second stint with the Raiders, Biddle was wide receiver coach for one season, and running back coach for two campaigns under coach Ed Sweeney.

Biddle has also coached in three Bowl games: the 1984 and 1985 Independence Bowls while at Virginia Tech and Minnesota, respectively, and the 1986 Liberty Bowl with Minnesota. He also coached in the 1989 Blue-Gray All-Star Game.

Biddle, a 1971 graduate of Duke University, was an all-Atlantic Coast Conference linebacker for two seasons. The former Blue Devil co-captain received third team Associated Press All-America honors in his senior year and was a participant in the Blue-Gray and Hula Bowl games.

Biddle is a three-time winner of Duke's Hatchet Award, given to the most valuable player on defense. In his senior year he also received the Blue Devil Club Award as the senior who contributed the most to the team.

Biddle was recently elected to the all-century team at his alma mater.

He is a native of Parkersburg, West Virginia. During his scholastic career at Parkersburg High School, he was all-state in football and won three letters in wrestling. He and his wife, Sheila, are the parents of two sons, Jason and Brendon. Brendon graduated from Colgate in 2003, and lettered four years in football.

**Coach of the Year Honors**

- 1996** Patriot League Coach of the Year
- Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year
- 1997** Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year
- Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year
- 2002** Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year
- 2003** AFCA Division I-AA National Coach of the Year
- Patriot League Coach of the Year
- Colgate's Howard Hartman Coach of the Year
- 2005** Patriot League Coach of the Year



**Ed Pinkham**  
**Associate Head Coach**  
**Defensive Coordinator/  
 Linebackers**  
**11th Season**

Ed Pinkham begins his 11th season in charge of Colgate's defensive unit. Following the

conclusion of the 2005 campaign, Pinkham was promoted to associate head coach while continuing his duties as defensive coordinator.

This season he will move from the secondary to coaching the linebackers.

During his tenure, Colgate has captured five Patriot League titles and earned five trips to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. His defensive unit led the Patriot League in total defense in 1999, 2003 and 2004, and three times has paced the league in rushing defense. Last season, the Raiders were ninth in the nation in total defense and fifth in passing defense.

His defensive unit has produced 36 all-Patriot League performers, three Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year, two first-team All-Americans, and as secondary coach, 15 players were selected all-league.

In 1999, he directed the Raiders to one of their greatest defensive efforts while setting the school record for fewest total yards and rushing yards allowed in a season.

With over 28 years of coaching experience, Pinkham began his coaching career at his alma mater in 1975 where he coached the wide receivers before adding secondary duties in his second year with the Gators.

He left Allegheny for a 12-year stint at the University of New Hampshire, where he was secondary coach during his entire stay and defensive coordinator the last seven seasons.

In 1989, he joined the staff at the University of Minnesota as secondary coach. It was at Minnesota where he coached with Colgate head coach Dick Biddle.

In the four seasons prior to Colgate, Pinkham was defensive coordinator and associate head coach at the College of the Holy Cross. For the first two seasons he coached the outside linebackers, before moving over to the secondary.

Pinkham was a four-year starter at free safety while at Allegheny, where he earned all-President's Athletic Conference honors all four years. In his senior year, he received second team Associated Press All-America honors, and served as captain of the Gators' conference winning team.

Pinkham, 52 years old, was born September 6, 1953 in Plainfield, N.J. He graduated from Allegheny College in 1975 with a degree in economics.

He and his wife, Karen, make their home in Hamilton. They have three children: Matt (25), Kelly (23), and Jessie (15).



**Dan Hunt**  
**Offensive Coordinator/  
 Quarterbacks**  
**12th Season**

Dan Hunt is in his 12th season on the Colgate staff, having served as the quarterback coach for the past eight seasons. This season he will take on the added duties of offensive

coordinator.

He began his Colgate tenure working with the tight ends in 1995 and 1996, before one season as the running backs coach. Hunt recruits Central and Southern Florida for the Raiders.

He has seen five of his players earn all-Patriot League honors highlighted by selection of quarterback Ryan Vena as the 1999 Patriot League Most Valuable Player. Also under his tutelage, running back Daymon Smith was named Patriot League Offensive Player of the Year in 1997 and running back Ed Weiss was selected as Patriot League Rookie of the Year.

As running back coach in 1997, the Raiders broke the Patriot League record for rushing yardage, and for the first time ever produced a pair of 1,000-yard rushers.

He came to Colgate from Springfield College, where he helped coach the wide receivers and tight ends. Hunt began his coaching career at Christian Brothers Academy in Albany, N.Y., where he was in charge of the running backs and receivers. He returned to his alma mater Springfield in 1993 as head junior varsity coach.

He was a three-year starter at Springfield College where he played tight end. In 1990 he was named to the all-New England team.

Hunt, 37 years old, was born January 3, 1969 in Amsterdam, N.Y. He graduated from Springfield College in 1992 with a degree in physical education. He earned his master's degree in athletic administration from Springfield in 1995.

He and his wife, Susanne, are the parents of sons, Ryan (5) and Sean (4). They make their home in Hamilton.



**Nick Monroe**  
**Secondary/  
 Recruiting Coordinator**  
**3rd Season**

Nick Monroe is in his third season with the Colgate football program, working with the outside linebackers and serving as recruiting coordinator. He recruits Southern California, and

Northeast Ohio, and any other outlying areas for the Raiders.

He came to the Raider staff from Allegheny College where he coached the defensive backs for two seasons. In 2003, Allegheny won the conference championship and earned a berth in the NCAA Division III playoffs.

Monroe was four-year letterwinner at St. Cloud, and a one-year starter at cornerback.

Monroe, 27 years old, was born May 25, 1979 in Excelsior Springs, Mo. He graduated from St. Cloud State University in 2001 with a degree in marketing.



**Kevin Bolis**  
**Offensive Line**  
**2nd Season**

After returning to his alma mater in April 2005 as running backs coach, Kevin Bolis takes charge of the offensive line this season.

Last season, Bolis mentored the Patriot League and ECAC Rookie of the Year Jordan Scott, who rushed

for a freshman school record 1,364 yards en route to third-team All-America honors.

Before returning to Colgate, the former Raider All-America center was on the Bryant College staff in Rhode Island, where he served as offensive line coach and strength and conditioning coach for the Bulldogs during the 2004 season.

Prior to Bryant, Bolis was an offensive graduate assistant coach at Iowa State University for two seasons. In 2002, Iowa State played in the Humanitarian Bowl.

He began his coaching career in 2001 as an assistant coach at Canisius College, where he coached the offensive line.

During his collegiate career at Colgate, Bolis was a key factor in two Patriot League Championships and three straight appearance in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

The two-time all-Patriot League performer led the way for four 1,000-yard rushers and started 42 games.

In his senior year, he was named honorable mention All-America after helping the Raiders to a 10-2 mark and its third straight appearances in the I-AA playoffs. He also was named second team on the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division I-AA All-Star team.

In each of his last three seasons, Colgate finished in the Top 10 in rushing and scoring.

He graduated from Colgate in 2000 with a degree in geography and education.

Bolis, 28 years old, was born August 10, 1978 in Atlantic City, N.J. He is engaged to Maria Lochner of Rochester, N.Y., and they are planning a June 2007 wedding.



**Chris Young**  
**Wide Receivers**  
**4th Season**

Chris Young is in his fourth season coaching the wide receivers for the Raiders.

He came to Colgate from the University at Albany where he worked with the Great Danes tackles and

tight ends. Prior to Albany, Young served on the Canisius College staff where he served as wide receiver coach for the 2002 season. He worked five years in the financial industry before joining the Canisius staff.

In 2004, he saw both of Colgate's starting wide receivers - Luke Graham and DeWayne Long - earn first team all-Patriot League honors. Graham also won all-league honors in 2002 under Young's tutelage, while Long was second team all-league last fall.

Young was a three-year letterwinner for the Colgate Raiders while earning first team all-Patriot League honors in his senior season at tight end. He was a linebacker his first three seasons with the Raiders.

Young, 31 years old, was born January 12, 1975 in Mt. Vernon, N.Y. He graduated from Colgate in 1997 with a degree in sociology and anthropology.



**Ryan Knowles**  
**Defensive Line**  
**1st Season**

Ryan Knowles comes to Colgate this season after one season at the University of Idaho. He will be in charge of the defensive line.

While at Idaho, Knowles was a defensive graduate assistant while coaching on the defensive line. Prior

to coaching at Idaho, he coached with several high schools in Kent and Spokane, Washington. He worked as both an offensive and defensive line coach.

Knowles was a four-year starter for the Vandal's at defensive end and earned second team all-Big West Conference in 2000. He was also awarded the Vandal Pride Player award in 1997, for hard work and dedication. He played in the 1998 Humanitarian Bowl.

Knowles, 28 years old, was born August 31, 1978 in Sandpoint, Idaho. He graduated from Idaho in 2002 with a degree in secondary education. Last year, while on the Idaho staff he worked on his Master's in Education Leadership.

He and his wife, Megan, live in Hamilton.



**Rusty Burney**  
**Strength & Conditioning**  
**Coordinator**  
**2nd Season**

Rusty Burney is in his second season as head strength and conditioning coach.

Burney came to Colgate from the University of Tulsa where

he served as assistant coordinator of strength and conditioning from 2001-03. At Tulsa, he was responsible for developing and implementing workouts for 18 intercollegiate sports, while working directly with the men's basketball, softball and volleyball teams.

Prior to Tulsa, Burney served as a graduate assistant strength coach at the University of Arkansas where he worked with football, basketball, baseball and tennis from 1999-01. He also did an internship at Brigham Young University in 1998.

Burney is a 1997 graduate of Central College in Iowa, where he received a bachelor's degree in physical education. He has a master's degree pending in biomechanics from Arkansas.

He holds CSCS, CPR, SCCC and USAW Level I Club Coach certifications.

Burney and his wife, April, have two children, Jordan (12) and Olivia (1).