

# Roosevelt Hall of Fame

*University of Minnesota, B.S. Physical Education*

*University of Southern California, M.A. Education*



**Fortune Gordien**

*Class of 1941*

- Achieved four-time shot put and discus College All American, three-time Big Ten Champion, and six-time AAU National Champion.
- Competed in Olympics of 1948, 1952, 1956 -- Bronze Medal (1948), Silver Medal (1956).
- Served in WW II as US Navy physical training specialist.
- Led U of M to its first track and field championship (1946).
- Held ten-year world record discus throw of 194.6 feet.
- Won Gold Medal (discus), and Silver Medal (shot put) in the 1955 Pan American Games in Mexico.
- Taught and coached at San Marino (CA) High School; and was Associate Professor at San Bernardino Valley College.
- Inducted into USA Track and Field Hall of Fame (1979).
- Inducted into University of Minnesota "M" Club Hall of Fame.
- Inducted into Helms Foundation Athletic Hall of Fame.

**Inducted September 27, 2014**