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Gesell Institute Announces 60th Anniversary Commemorative Book

New Haven, CT (October 12, 2012) – Gesell Institute of Child Development is pleased to announce that Jacqueline (Jackie) Haines, former Executive Director of the Institute (1990-2002), recently self-published a book, *Sixty Years of the Gesell Institute 1950-2010*. She collaborated with Norman Heimgartner, a member of Gesell's National Lecture Staff. Heimgartner had the opportunity of working at the Institute with Dr. Arnold Gesell before his passing in 1961. "As a long time member of the Institute, it was indeed my honor to have had personal and professional contact with the building's founders," writes Heimgartner in the Introduction.

Composed of over 25 sections and 200 pages, this illustrated work provides an overview of Dr. Gesell's pioneering efforts at Yale University, a rich historic timeline of the establishment of Gesell Institute in 1950, and it culminates with the 60th Anniversary Celebration and LEAD Conference in 2010. "The content of this book is designed to highlight important hallmark moments within the history of the Institute, and to further understand the purpose of why many colleagues wanted to continue his work. Dr. Gesell provided the world with knowledge about child growth and development that is universal in application and is an infinite source for problem solving," Haines comments.

The book is now available for purchase from Gesell Institute's online bookstore: <u>www.gesellinstitute.org/bookstore</u>.

Gesell Institute of Child Development is an independent non-profit organization that has been associated with how children grow and learn since 1950. The work of Arnold Gesell, PhD, MD (1888-1961) had a profound influence on the field of child development. Based on Dr. Gesell's pioneering work documenting infant and child growth and development, Gesell Institute's programs and publications now help parents and educators understand the ages and stages of childhood. Professional development and parent workshops cover a broad range of topics regarding child behavior, healthy growth and development, and positive learning outcomes. For additional information and resources, visit <u>www.gesellinstitute.org</u>. Gesell Institute is on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

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