



MNRI progress in Europe



Lifelong Reflexes class in the Netherlands.

MNRI® Instructors
Dr. Svetlana
Masgutiva, Pamela
Curlee, Lori Burgess,
Brea Maday,
Christine Poulin,
Susanne Wolmesjo,
and Sharon Heller
have been busy in
Europe this year.

The MNRI® European presence began in Sweden in 2002, Germany in 2004, France in 2004, the Netherlands in 2006, Slovenia in 2009, and Croatia in 2014. Some classes have 50-60 participants. The numbers of interested people is growing year after year.

It is exciting to see such growth!

A Chance to Grow staff utilize reflex book

A Chance to Grow is a pediatric outpatient clinic in Minneapolis, MN with several therapists trained in MNRI®. Staff member, Julie Neumann, tells us that they have two copies of *Reflexes—Portal to Neurodevelopment and Learning* and they are in use almost every day.



Firstly, the therapists read it to get to know what symptoms a child has that can be treated by MNRI® and the stories often give specific reflexes that can be repatterned to help. Secondly, she reports that when a new child comes to the center, therapists sometimes look for stories of children that are similar to this child. They then note the results, the MNRI® protocol that was used in this situation, and show the child's parents the story. These stories written by a child's therapist or parents often resonate with other parents and give them hope and confidence that their child can also improve. They use the book as an additional support system for the families.

Reflexes—Portal to Neurodevelopment and Learning was written to help people to understand the scope of applications for MNRI®. We applaud *A Chance to Grow* for using the book to help parents understand the greater possibilities for their children!

To order one or more (so you can lend it) *Reflexes—Portal to Neurodevelopment and Learning*, please find it [here](#).

This book is a wealth of knowledge with 120 articles by 60 authors and articles that have been translated from several languages.

New MNRI Instructors certified

SMEI is excited to announce three new Instructors:



1. Christine Poulin: (of Canada) in addition to teaching *Dynamic and Postural, NeuroTactile, NeuroStructural Reflex Integration, PTSD, and Archetype Movement Integration* has now become a certified MNRI® Instructor in *Lifelong Reflex Integration*.



2. Lori Burgess: (of Minneapolis) in addition to teaching *Facial Reflex Integration, Visual & Auditory Reflexes, and Breathing Reflex Integration* has now also become a certified MNRI® Instructor in *Archetype Movement Integration* and *Stress Hormones and Reflex Integration*.



3. Susanne Wolmesjo: (of Sweden) an Instructor in *Dynamic and Postural Reflex Integration* is now also an Instructor for *Life Long Reflex Integration*.



4. Suzanne Amanor-Wilks: (of Minneapolis) in addition to teaching *Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern Integration* and *Tactile Reflex Integration*, has now also become a certified MNRI® Instructor in *Archetype Movement Integration*.

Akhil Autism Foundation supports MNRI in New Jersey

The Akhil Autism Foundation (AAF) based in Edison, NJ began in 2008 with a child named Akhil. He had undergone many autism treatments to treat his underlying medical conditions.



At age 11 yrs, Akhil started expressing his thoughts and, thus, they became concerned with how to connect his mind to his body which would also impact his behavior. Finally, at age 13 Akhil started treatment in the MNRI® program with Shannon Desilets and, after attending five day camps twice a year and giving an hour Home Program 5 days a week, Akhil is now able to be independent and has finally connected his mind and his body at a faster speed.

During this time Akhil said, "Hands are for healing and all my school friends need it." This spurred his parents to begin awareness of MNRI® in New Jersey schools. So Akhil became the inspiration behind the Akhil Autism Foundation. More can be seen on their website www.akhilautismfoundation.org

In June 2014 AAF began organizing monthly MNRI® Webinars with Dr Svetlana Masgutova which are viewed by therapists and parents worldwide. They can be found at [here](#) and [here](#).

AAF sponsored some successful MNRI® events last spring. An MNRI® Parent Workshop (with 30 parents) was held in May with Dr. Svetlana Masgutova. At their Assessment Clinic, 15 children were sponsored and provided Assessments. AAF will be sponsoring an MNRI® NeuroTactile Integration Class in Oct. 2015 with Instructor, Pamela Curlee. Registration is already full with 28 participants.

AAF will continue to conduct such events with MNRI® Parent Workshops and other programs scheduled in New Jersey. AAF will have grants available for parents in Jan. 2016. Please email us at programs@akhilautismfoundation.org for more details.

SMEI to work with Movement Matters



Mike & Kelly Smith and their children

SMEI has established a contract with Movement Matters, LLC to work together in developing, selling, and implementing movement curriculums to schools. These curriculums will be based on MNRI® theory and non-touch applications. The

initial focus will begin with elementary schools, and then will expand into higher levels of education.

Movement Matters was founded by Mike and Kelly Smith of Anna Maria, FL. They have three young boys and were introduced to MNRI® by Core Specialist Cindy Sprenger in Sarasota, FL in 2013.

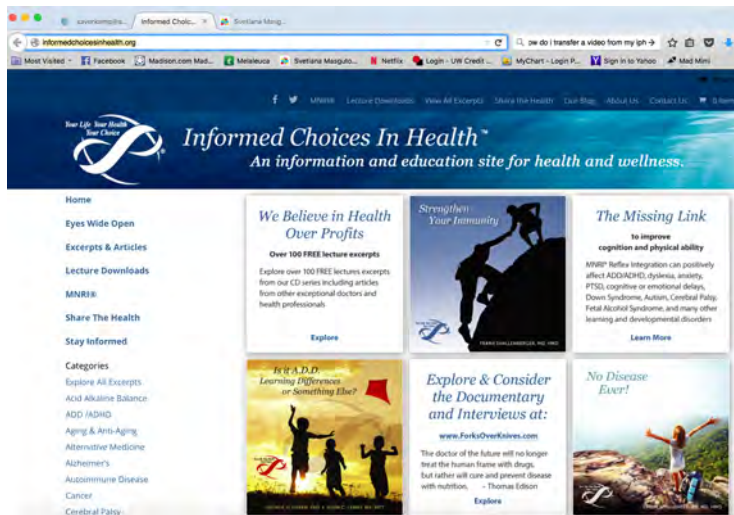
We look forward to our successful partnership with Mike and Kelly!

Masgutova Foundation sponsors walk for autism

The Masgutova Foundation is a proud participant in the *Walk Now* for the [Autism Speaks Central Florida Walk](#) on Saturday, November 14, 2015. Please visit our [Team](#) site to join or make a donation!



MNRI sponsored on health website



During the Minneapolis Family Conference, we made the acquaintance of Thomas Deinema.

Thomas became interested in the Masgutova Method and he has added MNRI® to his health website,

www.informedchoicesinhealth.org.

Thank you and welcome, Thomas!

SMEI collaborates with Barry ZeVan

Last July through some serendipitous events, we made the acquaintance with longtime Minneapolis celebrity and weather personality, Barry ZeVan. In Barry's amazing lifetime, he has known presidents, iconic celebrities, leaders of foreign countries, and he is currently finishing a book of his fascinating life (more about that soon).



Barry ZeVan with President Harry Truman in 1964.

At that time Barry also became interested in the potential of MNRI® and what it was doing for the children at the Minneapolis Family Conference. Currently, Barry is helping us with important structural details of the newly formed Masgutova Foundation and he is opening new doors for us. He has become an invaluable asset and promoter of our cause.

We thank Barry for his support and enthusiasm and we are so grateful for his work with us!

MNRI for voice disorders



Speech-Language Pathologist
LeAnn Taylor works for a County Medical Center in Minneapolis as a Specialist for Voice Disorders. Many of her clients are low income. People with compromised voices are at a tremendous disadvantage – imagine teachers, salespeople, waiters trying to be successful at work or applying for employment with hoarse voices. Voice difficulties have a big influence on their self image, as well.

MNRI® is not the first treatment that comes to mind for treating voice disorders (usually hoarseness or tone/quality difficulties) but LeAnn has found MNRI® especially helpful for treatment of her clients. Voice disorders are often brought about by high voice demands and a high percentage LeAnn's clients are sick people with contributing illnesses such as asthma, COPD, acid reflux, sinus drainage, PTSD, and smoking damage. Chronic stress is also a real issue for them. She has found that often treating these underlying illnesses have led to improvement in their voice disorder.

LeAnn frequently uses Babkin Palmomental and the Oral-Facial protocol to relieve muscle tension dysphonia. The vagus nerve controls the voice box and a TMJ release sometimes helps release this tension. In one situation, stuttering was resolved in a 5-year-old child in one session using Babkin Palmomental.

Another benefit to her clients is that she can usually teach them to do the MNRI® techniques on themselves so they can continue their treatment at home. Patients, including her clients from the Hmong population, also respond better to the touch therapy than traditional techniques that simply require them to change the way they talk.

We congratulate LeAnn for her commitment to her work and her innovative approach to solving her client's voice disorders!

SMEI to begin research project

The Masgutova Foundation is in the process of developing a plan to do research at the 8 day conferences in 2016-2017 in California and Florida. This is all in the planning stages so we welcome suggestions on details of this project.



The current plan considers assessing the following areas: Physical, Speech, Psychological, fine motor, gross motor, and stress/PTSD factors. Professional tests are being selected. Designated specialists will be conducting the pre and post tests.

Please contact Dr. Patty Shackleford with ideas for grants or persons who may be interested in helping to raise funds for this project.

Upcoming events

For further information about any of these events, see this [link](#):

Oct 6-9, 2015 : **MNRI® Chronic Stress, Anxiety and PTSD Family Conference**
Orlando, FL | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Oct 8-9, 2015 : MNRI® Tactile Integration
New Jersey | Pamela Curlee

Oct 10-15, 2015 : **5 Day MNRI® Family Educational Conference**-Washington, DC area
Washington, DC area | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Oct 14-17, 2015 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern Integration
Ann Arbor, MI area | Dawn Burnell-Powers

Class: Oct 17-20, 2015 : MNRI® IPET Neuro-Structural Reflex Integration
Orlando, FL | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Oct 20-22, 2015 : MNRI® Facial Reflex Integration-Level 1

The Netherlands | Lori Burgess & Brea Maday

Class: Oct 22-24, 2015 : MNRI® Proprioceptive & Cognitive Integration
Kansas City, KS | Shannon Desilets

Class: Oct 23-25, 2015 : MNRI® Reflex Integration Disorder and PTSD
Recovery
Orlando, FL | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Oct 24-25, 2015 : MNRI® Tactile Integration
Durango, CO | Pamela Curlee

Class: Oct 24-25, 2015 : MNRI® Reflex Integration: Maximizing Brain Potential
Grayslake IL | Patty Shackleford

Class: October 24-25 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern Integration
Minneapolis, MN | Suzanne Amanor-Wilks

Class: Oct 27-30, 2015 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern
Integration
Metz, France | Christine Poulin

Oct 27-30, 2015: **4 Day MNRI® Family Educational Local Conference** -
Louisiana
Baton Rouge, LA | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Oct 30 - Nov 2, 2015 : MNRI® Neuro-Structural Reflex Integration (Check
Prerequisites)
Morristown, NJ | Stephen Best

Class: Oct 31 - Nov 1, 2015 : MNRI® Tactile Integration
Metz, France | Christine Poulin

Class: Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2015 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern
Integration
Baton Rouge, LA | Mary Rentschler

Class: Nov 6-8, 2015 : MNRI® Dysfunctional & Pathological Reflex Repatterning
and Integration
Orlando, FL | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Nov 7-8, 2015 : MNRI® Reflex Integration: Maximizing Brain Potential
Portland, Maine | Patty Shackleford

Class: Nov 12-15, 2015 : MNRI® Lifelong Reflex Integration
Denver, CO | Pamela Curlee

Class: Nov 12-15, 2015 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern
Integration
Bentonville, Arkansas | Sharon Heller

Class: November 14-15 : MNRI® Dynamic and Postural Reflex Pattern
Integration
Minneapolis, MN | Suzanne Amanor-Wilks

Nov 15-28, 2015 : **Svetlana Masgutova POLISH Camp**
Poland | Denis Masgutov and Institute w/ Dr. Svetlana Masgutova's participation

Class: Nov 21-22, 2015 : MNRI® Tactile Integration
Orlando, FL | Pamela Curlee

Class: Nov 26-28, 2015 : MNRI® Reflex Integration and PTSD Recovery
Montreal, Quebec, Canada | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Dec 3-6, 2015 : MNRI® IPET Repatterning and Integration-Level 2
Orlando, FL | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Dec 4-6, 2015 : MNRI® Archetype Movement Integration
Minneapolis, MN | Connie Jordan

Class: Dec 9-12, 2015 : MNRI® Neuro-Structural Reflex Integration (Check
Prerequisites)
Ann Arbor, MI | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

Class: Dec 19-20, 2015 : PTSD Workshop
San Ramon, CA | Dr. Svetlana Masgutova

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