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Ending 2015 - Starting 2016

By: Carlos J. López, MIGH President and Executive Director.

When you read this newsletter we will be already starting the second quarter of 2016 and we would like you to know about some of the most relevant things that occurred in the life of the Institute in the recent past.

It certainly was a very active one in the life of **MIGH** and as usual in this period of the calendar year we had different events. Among them we feel proud of our **XI LUNADA**, the outstanding annual event presenting the marvelous Houston Symphony.



Mr. Mark C. Hanson, Executive Director/CEO Houston Symphony, Mr. Carlos J. López, President/ Executive Director MIGH, and CPA Mr. Eddy A. Seng after the successful LUNADA 2015



Musicians of the Houston Symphony getting ready to delight those present at Miller Outdoor Theatre for MIGH's XI LUNADA

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1. Mercantil Commercebank, one of the most significant benefactors of MIGH's Basic Computer Educational Mission for adults celebrated 35 years of operations in the U.S. 2. The 8000 people attending MIGH's XI LUNADA profusely applauded Houston's Symphony excellent performance of ALMA LLANERA, the well-known composition many consider to be the second national hymn of Venezuela. 3. Houston Symphony Conductor Carlos Andrés Botero with MIGH's Socorro Yanes. 4. Houston Symphony's Conductor Carlos Botero welcoming the audience to MIGH's XI LUNADA. 5. Baritone Blas Canedo from Colombia delighted the audience. He is one of the promising young talents of his generation according to the national Colombian TV program "Vivamos la Opera". 6. After MIGH's Mr. López opening remarks he welcomed Houston Symphony's Mr. Hanson to the podium at the Miller Theatre's stage. 7. Mr. Mark Lamb, Houston Symphony's Director of Community Partnerships Mr. Steve Wenig, MIGH's President Mr. Carlos J. López, Ms. Diva Herazo, President of Biomedent, Inc. and Mrs. Patricia Lamb. 8., 9., 10. The Houston Symphony at the Miller Theatre during MIGH's XI LUNADA in October of 2015. 11. MIGH Chairman of the Board Mrs. Rosanna Moreno, her husband Dr. Carlos Moreno, and their daughter Miss Analissa Moreno. 12. Houston Symphony Conductor Carlos Andrés Botero and Mr. Frank Meckel of Mercantil Commercebank who is also a member of the MIGH Advisory Committee. 13. MIGH President & Exec. Director Mr. Carlos J. López and Ms. Cissy Seagall-Davis, Miller Outdoor Theatre Manager-Director, very pleased for the great turnout of the evening, about 8 thousand people.



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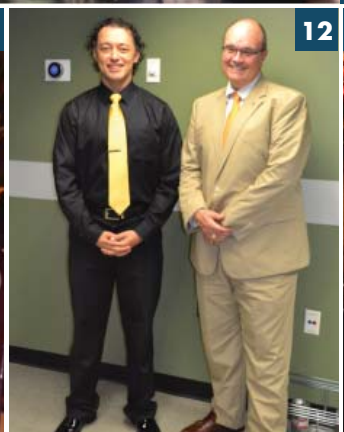
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MIGH's LUNADA took place on Saturday, October 10, 2015. It was a remarkable success doubling the attendance of the previous year. The Marketing Plan for LUNADA made possible by a concerted effort by the Houston Symphony, MIGH, Miller Theatre, Mercantil Commercebank, and UNIVISION, was indeed an exceptional success. In 2015 we had eight thousand people attending and also celebrated the 35th anniversary of **Mercantil Commercebank**, one of the fastest growing banks in the Houston Metropolitan area and an outstanding supporter of **MIGH**.



Among the educational activities of **MIGH's Mission – Basic Computer Literacy for Adults**, we were glad to see that our relationship with strategic partners continued to grow. Many individuals interested in learning new skills to increase their income attended our classes and graduated, receiving their **MIGH** Certificates of Completion.



The various ceremonies were also attended by the graduates' relatives who were very happy to see their parents, grandparents, uncles or aunts receiving the significant **MIGH** Certificate that qualifies them to seek better paying jobs. Since then we have been informed by some of the graduates that they are now enjoying the fruits of their investment in themselves with important skills for the workplace. They also said they are determined to continue enhancing their knowledge by attending **MIGH's Second Level Courses (Excel II, PowerPoint II, Word II and Basic Financial Literacy for the Home)** to continue **"MOVING FORWARD WITH TECHNOLOGY."**



For spreading the word and motivating our community to improve their qualifications attending different **MIGH** courses, the following media supporters have been a very important conduit to inspire them to **"CHANGE THEIR LIVES FOR A BETTER TOMORROW."** Mr. Pedro Arévalo of SUCESOS weekly newspaper; Mrs. Lizzette Díaz of SOLO Mujeres Magazine; Mr. Raúl Rivera of "Entérate Radio", and Diego Ramos of CBS-Mega101FM.

We have started 2016 implementing new plans and have high expectations to receive increased collaboration in many ways from our traditional and new beneficiaries to continue taking care of the educational needs of our growing population. There are numerous adults who belong to different minority groups who are determined to learn how to efficiently work using a computer and to help their children.

It is also important the continuous participation of several schools in different school districts that are providing our courses to the parents of their students. A good number of those parents are enthusiastically participating and learning the necessary skills to better help and supervise their children and to communicate via e-mail with their teachers.



Another excellent benefit for those parents is that after graduating with us they can qualify for better paying jobs and/or to better manage their small businesses.

In one word "Education" is the key element to personal progress. **MIGH** courses have prepared almost 17,000 individuals to have a Better Tomorrow using the practical computer technology skills that are used every day in most activities, from work to keeping track of personal tasks, and to guiding children with their homework or navigating the internet.

We are constantly starting classes at different **MIGH Community Learning Centers (CLCs)**. Please see the calendar of courses we are starting in our own computer lab and call us today at **(713) 988-6699** for more information about them. There are several options. **The decision is yours.** Make it today to start creating the better financial future you want for you and all your loved ones.

The time to study is now, at the beginning of the second quarter of 2016, to make it the year of your new beginning and your personal success, the year to start your new brilliant future. Our students and graduates also have access through us to purchase refurbished computers at very affordable prices. They come already loaded with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and PowerPoint).

*You can also help others help themselves by becoming a volunteer for the Institute or an **MIGH** donor.* All our financial donors receive a Certificate of Donation from us which can be used when preparing your income tax return because we are a 501 C3 non-profit organization.

You can help your friends or relatives by telling them to take **MIGH** courses so that they learn to work with the Microsoft Office Programs and/or to have a deeper knowledge of those programs therefore becoming more knowledgeable about all the possible applications offered by Excel, Word, or PowerPoint, by taking our Second Level courses. It is an opportunity being offered at a very low cost TODAY. Our instructors and online tutors are capable and polite, and provide our students with a thorough and respectful help. All those who call **MIGH** will start soon enjoying the benefits of a better income.

Do it now! Call us at (713) 988-6699.

At the **Mexican Institute of Greater Houston (MIGH)**

we teach adults only, from many different countries, not only Mexico, Central America and the U.S., but also from Europe, South America and other regions of the world. Additionally, our Basic Computer Literacy class includes activities that strengthen the important and practical concepts of respect, financial responsibility, the significance of education for all, supervision of children, the positive impact of clear communication, health/nutrition, how to avoid domestic violence, and other topics. This is done while our students are being taught how to navigate the internet, visiting websites to solidify basic principles to conduct our lives in a fruitful and exemplary manner

As reported to us by our students and the schools, when parents and grandparents learn to use a computer they communicate with their children/grandchildren's teachers by e-mail and become volunteers at the school. This creates a very important partnership between the school and their students' parents/grandparents that produces a positive impact for all involved.

You can start taking **MIGH** courses or recommend someone to do it, to qualify in the near future for jobs usually paying between 30 and 55% more. Invest your money in yourself or give someone the unexpected gift of an MIGH course. Get ready for the better future you want or give someone a Present that will continue giving them in the Future.

We have testimonials by adult men and women who have experienced success in the workplace after graduating with us. **Call MIGH now: (713) 988-6699** and/or encourage someone to call us.

Success Stories

Carlos Hernando Martínez

"A long time ago I became interested in taking computation classes but due to my work schedule it was not possible for me. I was listening to Entérate, the radio talk show of Raúl Rivera when I learned that MIGH offered computer literacy and I called seeking information, but once again the schedule was not convenient for me.

In September of 2014 I got a call from MIGH informing me about classes that were going to be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the right schedule for me so I **immediately decided to register.**

For the previous 35 years I had not been a classroom student, but it was not difficult because the methodology they use makes it easy to learn. Now that I have finished the course I feel good for what I learned and I plan to continue taking the other courses because they are very useful and nowadays we have to be at par with technology.

Thanks MIGH for the opportunity to have access to this type of courses and in Spanish."

"Hello! My name is **Ramón López** and I want to thank MIGH for having given me the opportunity to learn the Basic Computer Concepts. Thanks to the instructors who had the patience and dedication to teach me. When I came to the Institute I did not know about the benefits that these courses would bring to my life.

I remember one person who has positively influenced me saying "Let us go Ramón! Someday this will benefit you" and it was like that, after some time this produced fruitful results. These basic computer principles were the basis to start exploring a new world of opportunities that exist around us but we do not see, we need the right tools and the right personas with whom to associate ourselves to accomplish our goals in life. Actually and truthfully, thanks to the basic computer skills I have found direction in my life. I have learned that the future of commerce is internet based. I have started to practice online commerce, just as the big companies do sell around the world. At this time, using the internet and with the backing of a work team I can now work with more than 60 big companies producing an additional income. And the most important thing! Anybody can do that if they so want it. How can we have a different life if every day we continue to do same things over and over? Best Regards and Thank You very much!."

Give someone a lifetime gift, an **MIGH** course. There is a better future for that person or for you, make the decision today. You can also start a new and key benefit program at your place of work. Reward your good employees by sending them to take an MIGH course and your company will also be benefitted. You can also become a donor or perhaps an instructor or a volunteer for **MIGH** or start a new and key benefit program at your place of work. **Call us now: (713) 988-6699.**

At **MIGH** we are **CHANGING LIVES FOR A BETTER TOMORROW.** We have graduated close to 17,000 persons in Texas. We are ready to help those who want to help themselves learning the new skills our courses can give you. Some companies are sending their employees to **MIGH** to get or improve their basic computer skills to promote them to higher paying positions. **MIGH** can conduct its mission because of the generous donations we receive from companies, foundations and individuals. There are many different ways to collaborate with our educational mission. Give us a call today at **(713) 988-6699.**

2016 is the year of our 25th anniversary. We thank those persons who have decided to automatically donate to **MIGH** on a monthly basis using their credit card. You can also be a donor for our important and practical educational mission. Please see the different sections of this newsletter and read information about our classes and services, recent events, and help us spread the word about our mission. We are always ready to start a new positive and productive relationship to benefit our students.

Call MIGH today at (713) 988-6699. 

We would like to recognize the following corporations and foundations for their continuous support to our educational computer literacy programs.

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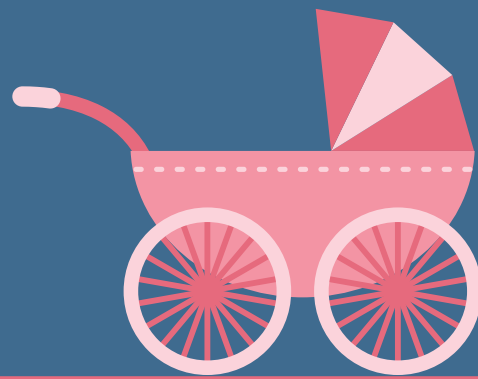


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Congratulations!

We are wishing a lifetime of happiness with your new little baby girl!

At **MIGH** we are very glad to congratulate our Newsletter Editor, Vicky Kummer and her husband Paul, who welcomed their first baby, Valentina Olivia Kummer. She was born on December 17, 2015 in Houston, Texas. We wish her a long, healthy, happy and prosperous life. The picture shows Vicky and her beautiful daughter Valentina Olivia.

Cursos de computación impartidos en el Instituto Mexicano cursos 2016

CURSO	DIA	HORA	INICIO	COSTO DEL REGISTRO, CURSO Y MATERIAL DE TRABAJO
BÁSICO	Lunes, Martes y Miércoles	9:00 am-12:00 pm	16 Mayo 2016	\$300.00
2DO NIVEL WORD	Sábado	3:30 pm-8:30 pm	14 Mayo 2016	\$300.00
2DO NIVEL EXCEL	Lunes, Martes y Miércoles	5:00 pm-8:00 pm	16 Abril 2016	\$300.00

Formas de Pago:

- ✓ **Un solo pago: \$300.00 al registrarse (efectivo).**
- ✓ **Dos pagos: \$150.00 al registrarse y \$150.00 en cualquier momento o una semana antes de iniciar el curso. (ambos en efectivo)**
- ✓ **Tarjeta de Crédito: \$300.00 al registrarse (un solo pago).**

¡Inscríbete Ya! ¡Cupo Limitado!
Registros de lunes a viernes de 8:30 am a 2:00 pm
(713)988-6699

Call now (713) 988-6699 or tell someone that could benefit from attending our courses. We will gladly take your call. For this Christmas Season instead of giving money or a regular gift to a loved one, give him/her an MIGH course, the sure way to solid prosperity via education.

MIGH Team

For our CLCs at schools and other organizations and class registrations please call Tel: (713) 988-6699. Ask for Mrs. Socorro Yanés, Instructor and Educational Programs Coordinator, or send an e-mail to: syanes@mexicaninstitute.org

Other MIGH Services

The following special services are available at MIGH, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m to 3:00 p.m.

Attorney: Lic. Patricia Urbiola Aspuru

For an appointment please call: (713) 541-4558

- **Photocopies and passport pictures**
- **Carta Poder (Power of Attorney)** to legally authorize an individual or company to represent you in Mexico.

Different possible uses of a Power of Attorney:

- Compra o Venta de Propiedades (Buy/ Sell Property)
- Escrituración de Propiedades (Property Ownership)
- Administración de Bienes (Property Administration)
- Préstamos Hipotecarios (Home Mortgage Loans)
- Donación de Propiedades (Property Donations)
- Demandas (Lawsuits)
- Divorcios (Divorces) Adopciones (Adoptions)
- Reconocimiento de Hijos (To Acknowledge a Child)
- Corrección de Actas de Nacimiento (Birth Certificate Corrections)
- Juicios de Intestado y Testamentario (Probate- Intestate or with a Last Will)
- Renuncia a Derechos Hereditarios o Repudia de Herencia (Relinquishing Inheritance Rights)
- Cesión de Derechos (Ceding Legal Rights) Pensión Alimenticia (Alimony)
- Retiro o Cancelación de Cuenta Bancaria (Bank Account Closing)
- Programa Pro Campo (Procampo Program)
- Concesión de Servicio Público (General Rights Concession)
- Firma de Contratos (Contract Signing)
- Trámites de Título Profesional (Professional Title Validation Process)
- Apertura de Testamentos (Last Will/ Testament Reading)
- Testamentos, etc. (Preparation of Last Will & Testament)

All Cartas Poder (Power of Attorney) need the "Apostille". This procedure legally validates the document prepared by our Public Notary before the Texas Secretary of State.

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