

# The Luna Light

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## Dr. Edward Gomez to be keynote speaker at LCC's Title V Simulation Lab Open House

Dr. Edward Gomez, a vascular surgeon, will be the keynote speaker at Luna Community College's Title V Simulation Lab *Open House* which will take place from noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21 at the LCC Allied Health Building.

Dr. Gomez has appeared on CNN, ABC, Nightline, Good Morning America and Sunday Morning CBS News. Dr. Gomez has collaborated with other doctors on over 40 publications and has presented over 100 times worldwide. His medical expertise was immense in the military for over 21 years as he worked at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. where he was the general surgeon for vascular surgery.

Dr. Gomez has conducted over 20 research projects and was an invited presenter to the First Congressional Hearing on "Telemedicine & Advanced Technology". In addition,

Dr. Gomez has been noted as one of the most outstanding surgeons in El Paso.

In his spare time, Dr. Gomez raises registered Black Angus cattle on his family ranch in Mora County. He is married to Beth (Harris). Together they have a son Patrick, who runs the family ranch and a daughter Lacy Houdek, who operates her own practice as a nurse practitioner in Las Vegas.

When asked why his practice is so successful, he cites his success to three things:

- Dedication to his passion which is treating vascular disease
- Unique trainings from a fellowship in vascular disorders
- Experience from his years as an Army surgeon

Luna Community College welcomes Dr. Edward Gomez!



## Believe it or not, I'm getting engaged

A few years ago, I wrote a column about the fact that I was one of the few individuals at my age that had yet to be married.

To my surprise, this particular column received a lot of attention. Some of it was good. Some of it was not. Today, I am happy to report that I recently got engaged. In fact, it happened in late April in Albuquerque. And I wanted to share my experience with everyone.

To read the full column, see Monday's Luna Light

By Jesse Gallegos  
*A Different Perspective*



Luna Community College Computer Science graduate Brandon Baca is pictured here with LCC Science, Math & Engineering Technology Director Dr. Andrew Feldman during a ceremony held on May 9. For more on the ceremony, see Monday's Luna Light.