



## FOREIGN PRESS CENTER 2012 ELECTION E-MONITOR

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## Upcoming Events Around Town

**October 31**

**WHEN: 12:30 p.m.**

**WHAT: National Press Club Luncheon Speaker Series with Herman Cain, candidate for**

**the GOP Presidential Nomination.**

WHERE: Holeman Lounge, National Press Club, National Press Building, 529 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
CONTACT: 202-662-7500; web site: <http://press.org>

**November 15**

**WHEN: 8:00 p.m.**

**WHAT: Heritage Foundation, American Enterprise Institute and CNN co-host a Republican Presidential Debate on Foreign Policy and National Security.**

WHERE: TBD

CONTACT: web site: <http://www.heritage.org/Research/Reports/2011/10/Heritage-to-Co-Host-Debate-with-AEI-CNN>

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