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Last month I was at a MoveOn event where we were asked to take turns telling the whole group what bothers us and why we want to take action. I felt, as I am sure everyone does, that there are countless issues that no one can ever get to. We are very aware that the reason for this barrage of problems is that Corporate-Conservative-America has gotten the upper hand. We find ourselves trying to put out one fire after another rather than moving ahead.

At that MoveOn meeting I suggested that we aim at the base of the fire if we are ever to get control of the problems. I would like to suggest that the root of our problems is actually somewhere between the right and left ears of the conservatives and their corporate controlled instigators who set all these fires. Solving the problem may take some psychology, (ugh, isn't that science?) but one should not doubt that the corporate/conservative think tanks have the best psychologists on their payroll already. After all, their handwriting is everywhere.

I hope to see you at our next meeting when we will see George Lakoff's latest video. I have seen other Lakoff videos, but this time I feel he makes a solid psychological case for his approach to framing arguments. We won't settle any big problems, but we might learn how to make our arguments stronger and fine tune our other efforts for effectiveness. ---Karl Hodges, Pres. CV Dems o

Our Next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb.22nd, at 7pm at the Faith Lutheran Church, 20080 Redwood Rd. Castro Valley. We will meet in the Graydon Meeting Room and show the Lakoff Video. Bring snacks to share if you wish. If you need to renew your dues you can at the meeting or download a membership form at our website : www.ebdir.net/cvdemos. Your dues helps us be an active club supporting Democrats and progressive values and have fun at the same time!

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