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ON THE ROAD

Hello from Ann Arbor! Much to announce. We got our first flat tire in the outskirts of Chicago. The culprit was a 5 inch bolt wedged so deep it was hitting the tire frame! In better news, CA Senator Barbara Boxer learned about our work and wants us on her podcast in Sept! How exciting!



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CHADRON, NE



Shown above is our visit to a small town in Nebraska; population 5,700. We had a great event with over 55 guests. Isn't it ironic? The smallest town we visited became our largest event to date!



Order Your Copy!

Beyond Debate made its way into the Emmetsburg, Iowa public library, following a presentation to the community. The book answers 50 misconceptions on climate change. If you've ordered a copy, delivery is within 2 weeks. If you haven't, **Click here** to order your copy today!

RAPID CITY, SD

We passed a wildfire en route to our second event of the day. This event was held at Hay Camp Brewery, which became the first event that incorporated libations! A whopping 58 people came! People shared that the city has been dealing extreme weather events, including larger than normal hail. We met hikers, students, and other citizens. Everyone came together to discuss climate change from a non-partisan perspective. Thank you Mary and Roy for opening your beautiful home to us!

PINE RIDGE RESERVATION



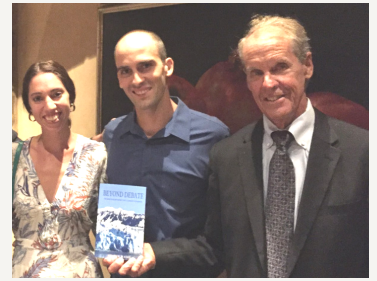
We had the opportunity to visit Thunder Valley CDC while in South Dakota, where a unique approach to empowering youth and improving health, culture and the environment is in action. In fact, the town is preparing for climate change and trying to become more sustainable. New homes are being built that are powered by solar, can sustain 120 mph winds, and will be affordable for single families.

Youth are working as apprentices to build these homes; learning valuable skills in the process. The project even has a community garden. Currently, the reservation gets its energy and food from offsite. Moving forward, this community will be self sufficient and will have the energy and food needed on its own. Importantly, the area has been battered with baseball sized hail in recent years, which is unusual according to locals. This new housing project will offer safer living, compared to the trailer homes that often become destroyed in such storms.

JOHNSON FARM

"On the Road for Climate Action" touched down in the organic farm belt. We visited Johnson Farms in South Dakota to meet with farmer Charlie. He had a lot to say about the impacts of climate change to his crop production. Without irrigation, his crops depend on consistent and reliable rainfall. Things haven't been normal recently. Longer stretches of rain and dry weather make farming more difficult. It was fascinating to learn about the differences between organic and non organic growing, and the benefits of avoiding pesticides. The picture at the top of the newsletter features us at the farm!

SPOTLIGHT



Thank you Mark Tabbert for all your work in supporting our project, and for being dedicated to climate advocacy!

BLUE FRUITS FARM



Jim Riddle's farm is absolutely amazing! It is an organic berry farm. Jim has been farming for over 30 years. We can learn so much from farmers who work so closely with the land. When asked why organic, his answer was "Because farming is about fostering life. Pesticides do the opposite." About the climate, he points to unusual flooding which has impacts for his crops. Visit the blog for his full interview coming soon!

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