

# THE ROAD REPORT

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Dear friends, it is with a very heavy heart that we compose this week's newsletter, Although Athina usually writes these, I'll be taking over this first page to offer a few personal words. Early this month, my cousin Farrouk suffered a traumatic brain injury after taking a hard fall in his backyard. We hoped and prayed over the past 2 weeks while he was in a coma. Over the weekend, however, his body gave up, and he passed away. It has dealt an emotional blow to myself and family, and has been difficult to process being so far from home. Farrouk turned 38 just last month. We will miss him dearly.

Farrouk's passing has reminded me how fragile life is, and how we must always embrace one another and take advantage of each day we have together. Farrouk is featured below.



## IN THE NEWS

**ROCKY MTN. RANGER INTERVIEW**

**MIT PROF. INTERVIEW**

**PARACHUTE VIDEO**

Moving forward in this document, I've asked Athina to do what she does so well; write a great newsletter that updates you on our project and travels. As you'd presume, the photos featured in this newsletter were taken prior to our family tragedy.

## NEW ENGLAND



The Northeast climate tour continues. This week we had a mix of climate talks, interviews, and organizing for our quickly approaching departure south later this week. We're also making sure to squeeze in final meetups with friends and family, and getting the car serviced before we hit the road. So much to do, so little time! Over the weekend, Shahir was the keynote speaker at the Monadnock Drive Electric Expo in NH. The benefits and carbon savings of EVs was highlighted.



# THE WEEK'S RECAP

We attended another wedding of two great friends. On the way to the festivities, we took a short detour to Rumney, NH, one of Shahir's favorite rock climbing spots. We enjoyed quiet time in the woods while roping up for fun.



## HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Shahir spoke at his alma mater, the Harvard Environmental Health Department, with a presentation geared toward scientists. His goal was to empower scientists to be advocates for their work, which is a departure from the tradition of science communication being left mostly to the media.



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## SPRINGFIELD, MA

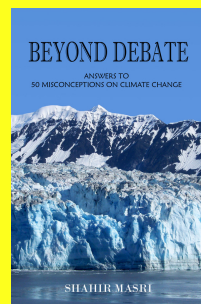


## FLORENCE

Hurricane Florence is causing destruction along the East Coast, right on our projected path. We may have to detour around the coast depending on road closures and damages. We've also had events get canceled due to the storm. We're hoping for the best as these communities face the storm.

## AMAZON REVIEW

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Our September events list continues to grow. We are half way through the month and continue to book up! Here's what remains for September!

Sept 18th, Plum Island, MA  
Sept 18th, Salem, MA  
Sept 18th, Cambridge, MA  
Sept 19th, Cambridge MA  
Sept 21st, New Haven, CT  
Sept 21st, Purchase, NY  
Sept 23rd, Philadelphia, PA  
Sept 24th, Westchester, PA  
Sept 25th, Washington, DC  
Sept 27th, Annapolis, MD  
Sept 28th, Richmond, VA

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