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FAMILY ROAD TRIP VEERED OFF COURSE



Elvira Benitez-Suarez speaks from her home about her experience in federal immigration detention on July 2 in Sheboygan. PHOTOS BY GARY C. KLEIN/USA TODAY NETWORK-WISCONSIN

Woman speaks out about ICE detention

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Elvira Benitez-Suarez was napping in her passenger seat when she heard a noise and woke up. What she saw on the GPS alarmed her. • “What are we doing in Canada?” she asked her husband, Ricardo, who was driving. They were way off course. Instead of heading to Niagara Falls through the U.S., they were in line at a border tollbooth. There was no time to think and nowhere to turn around. • Elvira and her husband did not have legal status in the U.S., despite many attempts to become legal residents. But they had lived in the country for 35 years, first in Illinois, and for the last decade in Wisconsin. They owned a business in Sheboygan and had no criminal record. Elvira had four U.S. citizen children. **See ICE, Page 6A**



Elvira Benitez-Saurez with her husband, Ricardo Chavez, son Kevin Chavez and daughter Natalie Chavez.

Education, environment boost WI in rankings

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With high marks in education and environment, Wisconsin ranked in the top half of states in a new study by U.S. News & World Report. The report ranked U.S. states across eight categories: crime and corrections, economy, education, fiscal stability, health care, infrastructure, natural environment and opportunity. Each state was given an overall ranking based on those categories. Wisconsin ranked 15th, just below Delaware and right above Wyoming. Here’s a look at what the report had to say about the Badger State.

Education is Wisconsin’s area of expertise

Wisconsin was listed among the country’s best in education with a fifth-place ranking, its highest of any category included in the report. The category was split into pre-K-12 and higher education, with Wisconsin ranking sixth and ninth, respectively. The state’s high school graduation rate of 90.5% is nearly 5% over the national average. U.S. News ranked the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Marquette University and Edgewood College as the state’s top three universities.

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Family plans to sue after immigrant froze to death

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The family of a Haitian immigrant who died in Pittsburgh after being released by Immigration and Customs Enforcement into freezing weather plans to sue in the upcoming weeks. Daphy Michel, a 31-year-old Haitian immigrant, froze to death on March 1 after ICE left her in Pittsburgh, miles from her home in Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, wearing summer clothes. The agency detained her in late February and released her in Pittsburgh with an ankle monitor. Attorney Joseph Murphy, who represents members of Michel’s family, said a lawsuit against the United States and other governmental and nongovernmental entities would be filed within two two three weeks, according to The Guardian. As of Aug. 3, Michel’s family had not filed a lawsuit, and it wasn’t clear who the plaintiffs or the defendants would be. Michel was born in Haiti and legally came to the United States, Murphy said. She overstayed her authorized

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