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People walk near an anti-U.S. billboard in Tehran, Iran, on April 20. A two-week ceasefire between the United States and Iran is set to expire April 22. MAJID ASGARIPOUR/WEST ASIA NEWS AGENCY VIA REUTERS

Mother of three sentenced in deadly DUI crash

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During a change of plea hearing on April 17, Amber Nolle Sacks pleaded guilty to DUI manslaughter and DUI with damage to property or person. She was sentenced to 10 years in prison followed by five years of probation.

Under the plea agreement between the state and Sacks, the defendant must follow several conditions. Her driver's license is permanently revoked, and while on probation she is prohibited from consuming alcohol, using illegal drugs or possessing substances without a prescription. She will also be subject to random drug and

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War negotiations on shaky ground

Talks uncertain after U.S. seizes Iranian ship



Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, left, seen here with President Donald Trump and Army Chief and Field Marshal Asim Munir, said Pakistan remains "committed to its role" as a facilitator of talks between the United States and Iran in their ongoing war.

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Kathryn Palmer, Adrianna Rodriguez and Francesca Chambers
USA TODAY

Iran is considering attending peace talks with the United States in Pakistan, a senior Iranian official told Reuters on April 20, following moves by Islamabad to end a U.S. blockade of Iran's ports, a major hurdle for Iran to rejoin peace efforts. However, the official said no decision had been made.

With a two-week ceasefire set to expire April 22, a senior Iranian official said Tehran was "positively reviewing" its participation but no final decision had been made. The comments conveyed a clear change of tone from earlier statements ruling out attendance and pledging to retaliate for U.S. aggression.

The Iranian official said mediator Pakistan was making positive efforts

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Louisiana city reels in wake of shootings

Man killed 8 children, 7 of them his own

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USA TODAY NETWORK

SHREVEPORT, LA – Residents of this historic riverfront city remained shaken a day after a gunman opened fire April 19 and killed eight children in the nation's deadliest mass shooting since January 2024.

They were looking for explanations – and authorities were trying to provide them, piecing together information on the tragedy.

Police said the suspect, identified as Shamar Elkins, also shot the mother of his children and another woman, both of whom survived with serious injuries. Elkins then fled the scene on foot and stole a car at gunpoint,

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