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# U.S.-Iran ceasefire on tenuous ground



Rescuers search through wreckage in Beirut on April 8 after Israeli strikes killed and injured hundreds.

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## Israel continues attacks on Lebanon

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President Donald Trump's ceasefire with Iran was on tenuous ground on April 9 after Israel launched its deadliest day of strikes on Lebanon yet and Tehran vowed not to desert its allies.

A day after announcing the Iran war ceasefire, Trump took to social media to warn the country that if the "REAL AGREEMENT" was not complied with, all U.S. military assets would remain in place ready for a military response.

He warned Iran to keep the Strait of

Hormuz open and safe but did not address the strikes in Lebanon in the post.

"If for any reason it is not, which is highly unlikely, then the "Shootin' Starts," bigger, and better, and stronger than anyone has ever seen before," he wrote.

Meanwhile, strikes on Lebanon, which borders Israel came on April 8, a day after United States and Iranian leaders announced a break in hostilities to hold peace talks and for oil shipments through the Strait of Hormuz to resume, a key breakthrough in the agreement. But in the wake of Trump's announcement, parties involved were soon at odds over whether the break in

fighting included Lebanon.

"The Iran-U.S. Ceasefire terms are clear and explicit: the U.S. must choose - ceasefire or continued war via Israel. It cannot have both," Iran's Foreign Minister Seyed Abbas Araghchi said in a statement as bombs hit Beirut.

### 'We will not leave Lebanon alone'

On April 8, Israel carried out its largest bombardment of Lebanon since the start of the war, killing over 250 people, according to the Lebanese Health Ministry. While Hezbollah initially halted fire following the announcement of the ceasefire, it has since responded to the Israeli attacks by firing rockets at

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Blu Pointe in the City of Newburgh. ALLYSE PULLIAM/FOR THE TIMES HERALD-RECORD

## Standout brunch spots in the valley

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If you think of brunch as an experience, from the textbook eggs Benedict or classic two-egg breakfast, to the accompanying staple drinks like mimosas or bloody marys, we've gathered some spots that have this, plus a little something extra.

Whether it's brunch on the Hudson River waterfront, on a farm or even in a restored bank, these places have ambiance and great bites to enjoy with the family, on a girls outing and everything in between.

Vote in our poll at Recordonline.com by 11:59 p.m. April 12 at 11:59 p.m. to pick which spot has the best brunch in the mid-Hudson Valley. There's also an option to write in your own answer. We will announce the results in an upcoming story.

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## Man fatally shot in New Windsor by neighbor, police say

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A man was shot and killed April 8 in New Windsor in what town police are saying was the result of a dispute between neighbors.

Police said the shooting happened just before 9 a.m. on Hawthorn Way.

Police responded to the scene after receiving a report of shots fired. When they arrived, they found a man with multiple gunshot wounds.

Police and New Windsor Emergency Medical Services workers immediately began resuscitative efforts.

The EMS crew then transported the man to Montefiore St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital in the City of Newburgh, where he was later pronounced dead.

Town police identified the suspect as Thomas J. Crews, 47, of New Windsor.

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## Hochul rival Blakeman sues over denied NY campaign funds

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Nassau County executive and Republican gubernatorial candidate Bruce Blakeman is suing the state's Public Campaign Finance Board after he was denied matching campaign funding last week.

During the board's meeting on Tuesday, March 31, members determined Blakeman, along with five other candidates, were not eligible to receive additional funding for their campaigns due to a paperwork error. In Blakeman's case, board members said his running mate, Madison County Sheriff Todd Hood, did not file his own paperwork

applying for matching funds.

The joint application rule only went into effect in December, Gothamist previously reported, and Republicans on the board chastised the decision, saying candidates weren't notified of the need to file a new joint certification with their picks for lieutenant governor and that the form to do so was not created.

Blakeman was set to receive as much as \$7 million through the program, other news outlets reported.

The lawsuit was filed by Adam Fusco, an attorney for Blakeman's campaign, in the state Supreme Court in Albany on Wednesday, April 8.

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Nassau County Executive Bruce Blakeman, left, was nominated to run for New York governor at a Republican convention on Long Island on Feb. 11.

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