



Hello API 653'ers,

Here are a few details for our upcoming API 653 class.

Class Date: **February 27 - March 3** (All day Saturday!) Class exam begins by noon on Saturday. This exam takes about 4-6 hrs. Please don't rush through the exam. Act like this is the real API exam. If needed, you can leave early and take the class exam and an answer key.

API Exam Date: **March 28**

Class Location: **Our Barn @ Wann, OK** (north of Tulsa, map attached)

Daily Schedule: **Sunday evening (February 26):** Get together at 3:00 p.m. at our barn. Supper is at 5:00 p.m. We'll **TAB & WRITE NOTES** in your code books, and hand out class manuals. This gives us a 3 hour head start into a very busy week. **BRING YOUR CODES!!!**

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Monday - Friday 6:30 p.m. - ??? p.m. Homework

If possible, you should always do your homework. Those most successful, commit the **whole** week to prepping for the API exam.

Class Size: Enrollment is limited to 20 students.

Hotel Lodgings: Here are some hotels located in Bartlesville. Suggested hotel is: **Hampton Inn (918) 333-4051** \$77/night + tax. Either two double beds or a one king bed. You must make your own reservations. **MAKE YOUR RESERVATION at least ONE MONTH PRIOR to CLASS.** For this rate, mention that you are part of the MSTs class.

Other Hotels: (rates do not include tax)

Best Western (918) 335-7755

Fairfield Inn & Suites (918) 333-1777

Super 8 (918) 335-1122

API Application: Your certification application must be received by API by **Jan. 18**. You can obtain an application at API's web-site. (see below)

API Info: The API Web-site offers some useful information (i.e. application form, required codes). Their web-site is: www.api.org/icp

Code Books: Be sure to check the API website to determine the exact publications (codes) that you need for this exam. These codes can be purchased through **IHS**. You can find their website via Links on the MSTs website. Or easier - Call **Heidi at (303) 397-7916**.



Pre-Study: **You really need to STUDY before the class.** This is an intense week! Pre-class study will make your class easier! You will also score higher on the API exam. Info on our website to download includes:

API 653 Study Guide: What to study prior to the class

API 575 Study Questions: Over 150 questions to help you "stay awake" as you study API 575. We will **not** cover API 575 in class.

The Inspector's Calcs: Self study guide & quiz on Corrosion Rate, Remaining Life, and Inspection Interval calculations.

Bring to Class: **Calculator** - Suggest a Texas Instruments **TI-30XA** (it is neither too complex nor expensive, but has an easy to use memory),

Pencils - Mechanical pencils preferred!

Code Books

Straight edge or triangle - About 6-8" long.

Highlighters (yellow, pink, orange) & **Red Pen**

Dress: Dress is casual. But be sure to bring a sweater or jacket

Meals: Lunch will probably be at the Copan Restaurant!

Class Cost: The class costs \$1150. You do **not** need to send an early deposit. Please bring check, cash or credit card to class. We accept only Visa and MasterCard; (\$30 surcharge for credit card payments).

Questions/Issues: Give me a call.

We are looking forward to seeing each of you. If you decide to withdraw from this class please let us know. Happy studying !!!

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Directions to Hampton Inn (from Tulsa Airport):

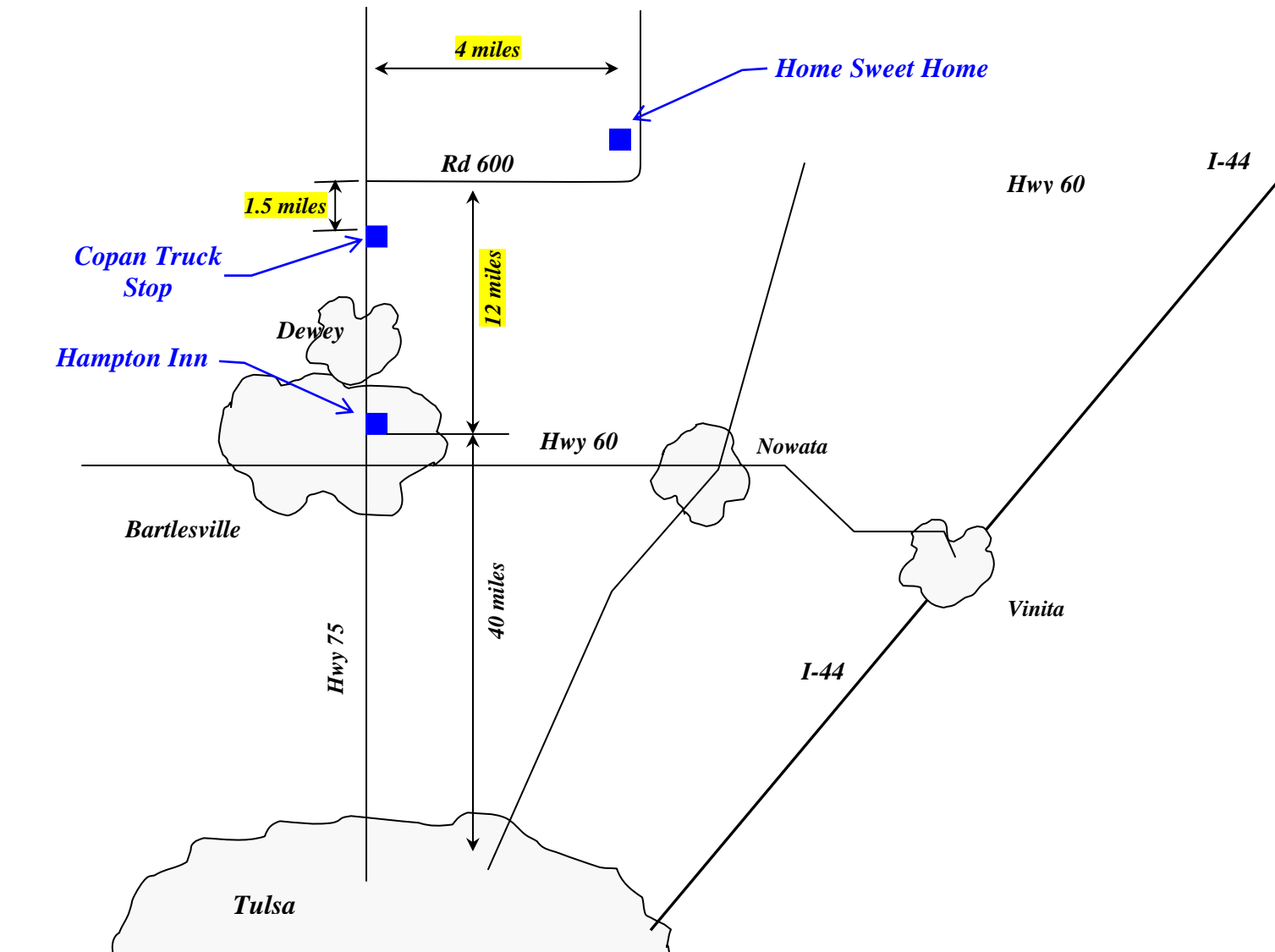
- 1) When exiting from the Airport take **Hwy 11 West**.
- 2) Go about 3 miles and turn **Right** (north) on **Hwy 75**.
- 3) Go about 40 miles and you will come to **Bartlesville**.
- 4) The **Hampton Inn** is on the right-hand side about 1 mile north of Super Wal-Mart.



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Directions from Hampton Inn

1. Turn right (north) on Washington Blvd (same as Hwy 75)
2. Go 12 miles north to Road 600. Turn right. Note! Rd 600 is a small farm road. It's about 1.5 miles past the Copan Truck Stop (at the bottom of the hill past the Truck Stop).
3. Go about 4 miles and road turns to the left and goes down a hill. **WATCH OUT FOR THIS TURN, DON'T TAKE IT AT 60 MPH UNLESS YOU WANT TO LEAVE YOUR CAR IN THE WOODS!** You are now on road 4020.
4. We're the 1st house on the left-hand side.



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