Hello API 653'ers,

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

Class Date: **Nov 6-11** All day Saturday! Those most successful commit **ALL** week prepping for the API exam. Plan to stay for the Practice Exam!

Class Location: **Our Barn @ Wann, OK** See map to our house at end of note. We're about 1 hour north of Tulsa. If flying, fly into Tulsa.

Daily Schedule: **"Early Bird" Tabbing session is Sunday afternoon (Nov 5) at Hampton Inn. Other tabbing session is Monday evening.**

Sunday	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tabbing at Hampton Inn
Monday	7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Evening Tabbing Session
Tues. – Friday	7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Can stay late for Homework
Saturday	7:30 a.m. – Noon: Class Material
	Noon – Whenever: Practice Exam

Class exam begins Saturday at noon & takes 4-6 hrs. Don't rush, act like it's the real API exam. Very important for 1st time API'ers! We can review questions that you missed.

I'll be happy to help answer homework questions any evening!

Hotel Lodgings: **Hampton Inn @ Bartlesville** $79/night for single occupant, $84/night for double. You must make your own reservations. For this rate, mention that you are part of the MSTS class. There are many other hotels in Bartlesville, but Hampton Inn is the closest.

ATTENTION!!! CALL HAMPTON DIRECTLY @ (918) 333-4051. You cannot use a booking service to get this rate!

API Exam Dates: **Nov 10-24** You must schedule your exam date with Prometrics. It's best to have **at least 2 weeks between the Class & the Exam!**

API Application: Your API Application must be completed online at API's website by **Sept 1.** Once accepted, API provides an ID # that is used to schedule your exam at the Prometrics test site of your choice. See MSTS website's Links page for API's and Prometric's websites.

API Info: The API web-site (www.api.org/icp) offers useful information. (i.e. Application, Body of Knowledge, List of Required Codes)

Code Books: Even though the exam is on-line, we will be using paper Codes in the class. Be sure to check the API website to determine the exact

codes that you need for this exam. These codes can be purchased through **IHS or Techstreet**. See MSTS website's Links page.

Pre-Study: **You really need to STUDY before the class.** This is a very intense week! Pre-class study is a must! Info on our website to download includes:

API 653 Study Guide: What to study prior to the class
API 575 Study Questions: Over 175 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 basic calculator with square root function
Red Pen & Pencils – Mechanical pencils preferred
Highlighters - Yellow, pink, orange, etc.
Straight edge – About 6-8" long
Printed Code Books

Dress: Dress is casual. Be sure to bring a winter coat, gloves, etc.

Meals: There are a few restaurants relatively close.

Class Size: Limited to 30 students

Class Cost: Class costs $1200. ($1230 w/ credit card) An early deposit is **not** needed. Please bring Check, Cash or Credit Card to class. We accept only **Visa, MasterCard** and **Discovery** cards. **NO AMEX cards**.

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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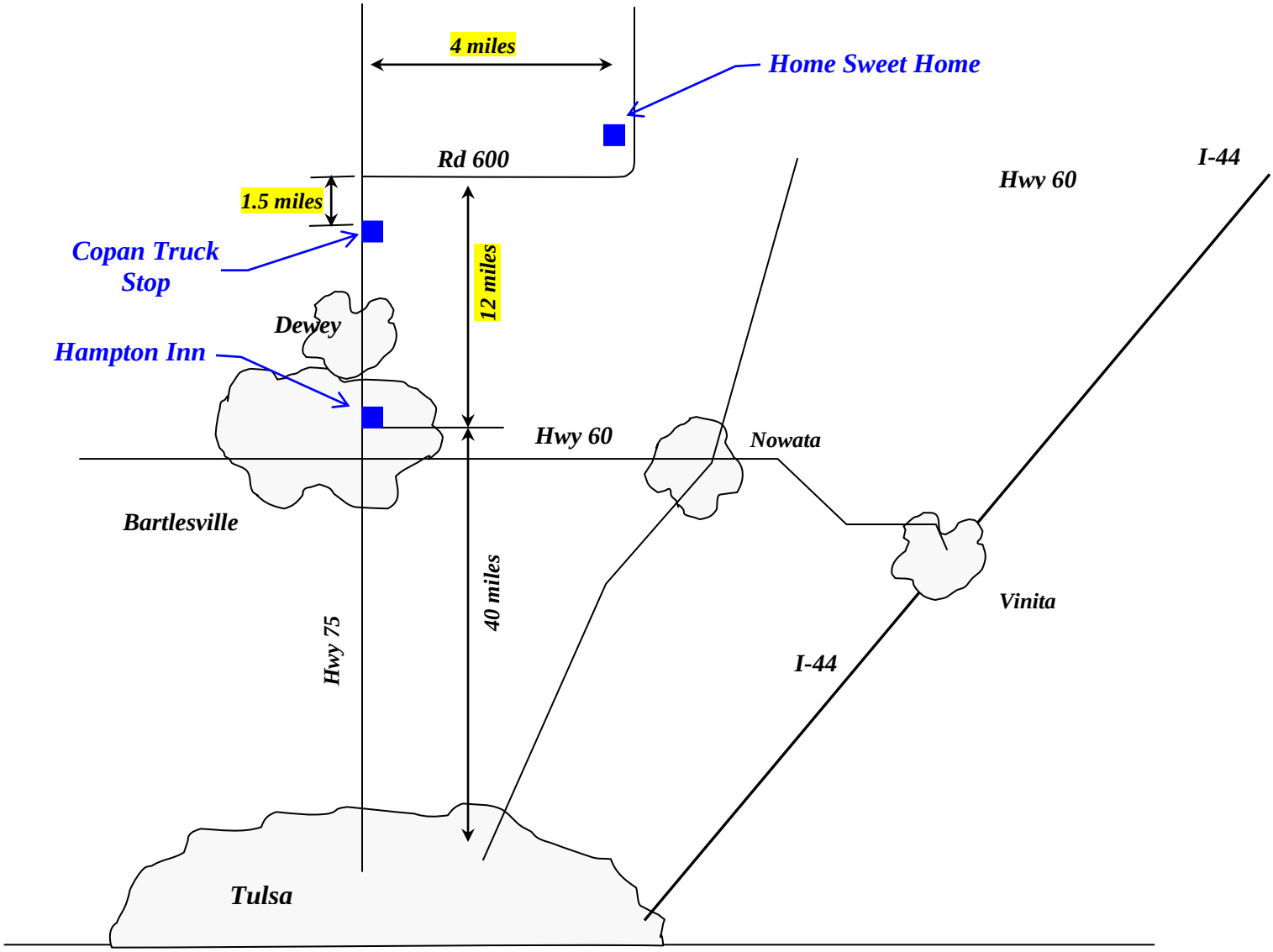
Coordinates: 36°56'06.5"N 95°50'45.5"W or
N 36.935133 W 95.845971

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. On Rd 600, 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. Class is in the Barn.



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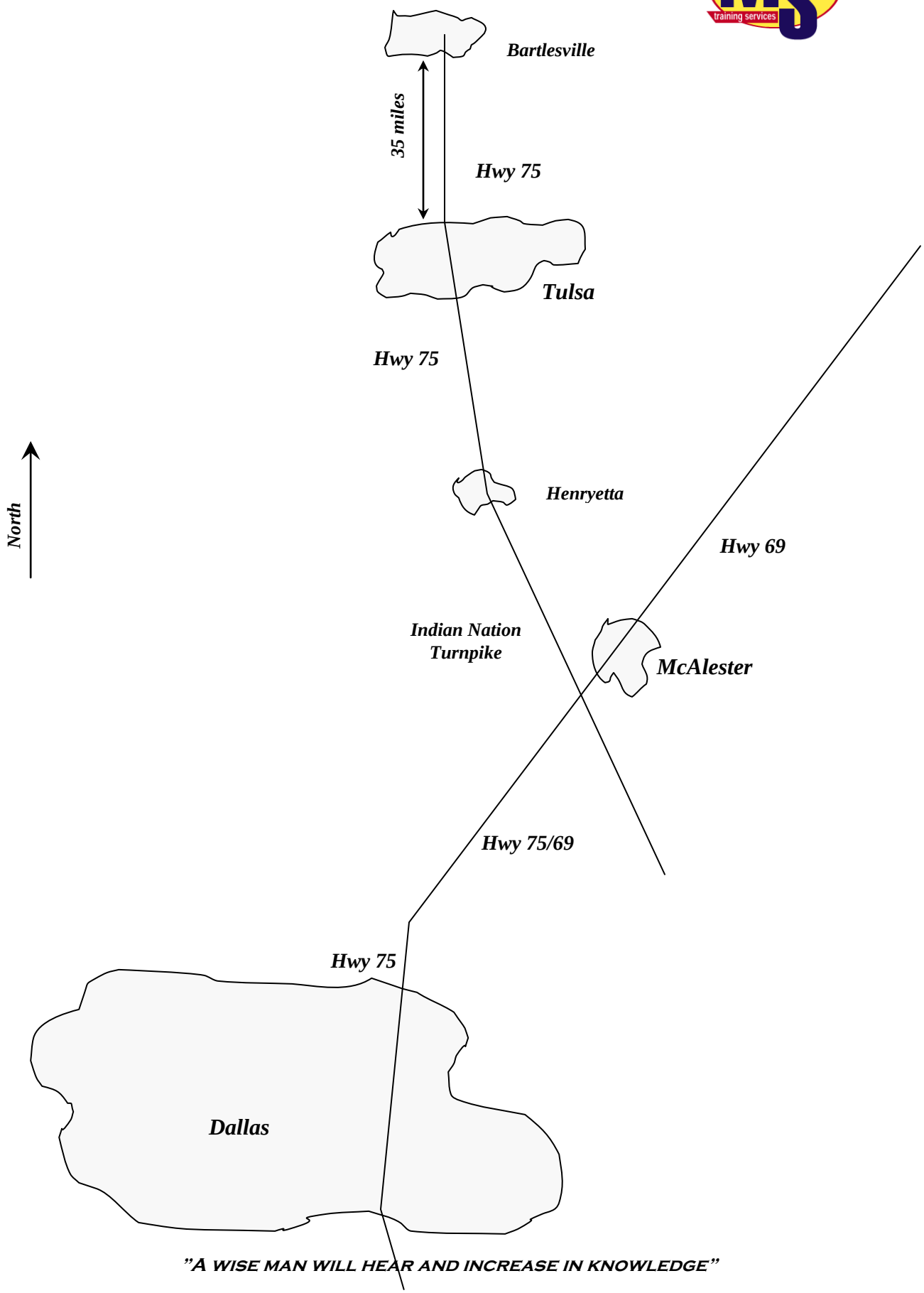

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