



**Hello API 653'ers,**

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

**Class Date:** February 28 - March 5 All day Saturday! Those most successful commit ALL week prepping for the API 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 (Feb 27) at Hampton Inn. Other tabbing session is Monday evening.

Sunday	1:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Tabbing at Hampton Inn
Mon. - Friday	7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Can stay late for Homework
Saturday	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sect IX training All Day Practice Exam is now a Take Home Exam

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

**Hotel Lodgings:** Hampton Inn @ Bartlesville One King Bed - \$82/night, Two Queens Beds - \$87/night. 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:** March 11 - April 1 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 January 7. 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](http://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 250 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.

**Meals:** There are a few restaurants relatively close.

**Class Size:** Limited to 30 students

**Class Cost:** Class costs \$1300. (\$1330 w/ credit card) An early deposit is **not** needed. Please bring Check, Cash or Credit Card to class. We accept **Visa, MasterCard, and Discovery** 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):**

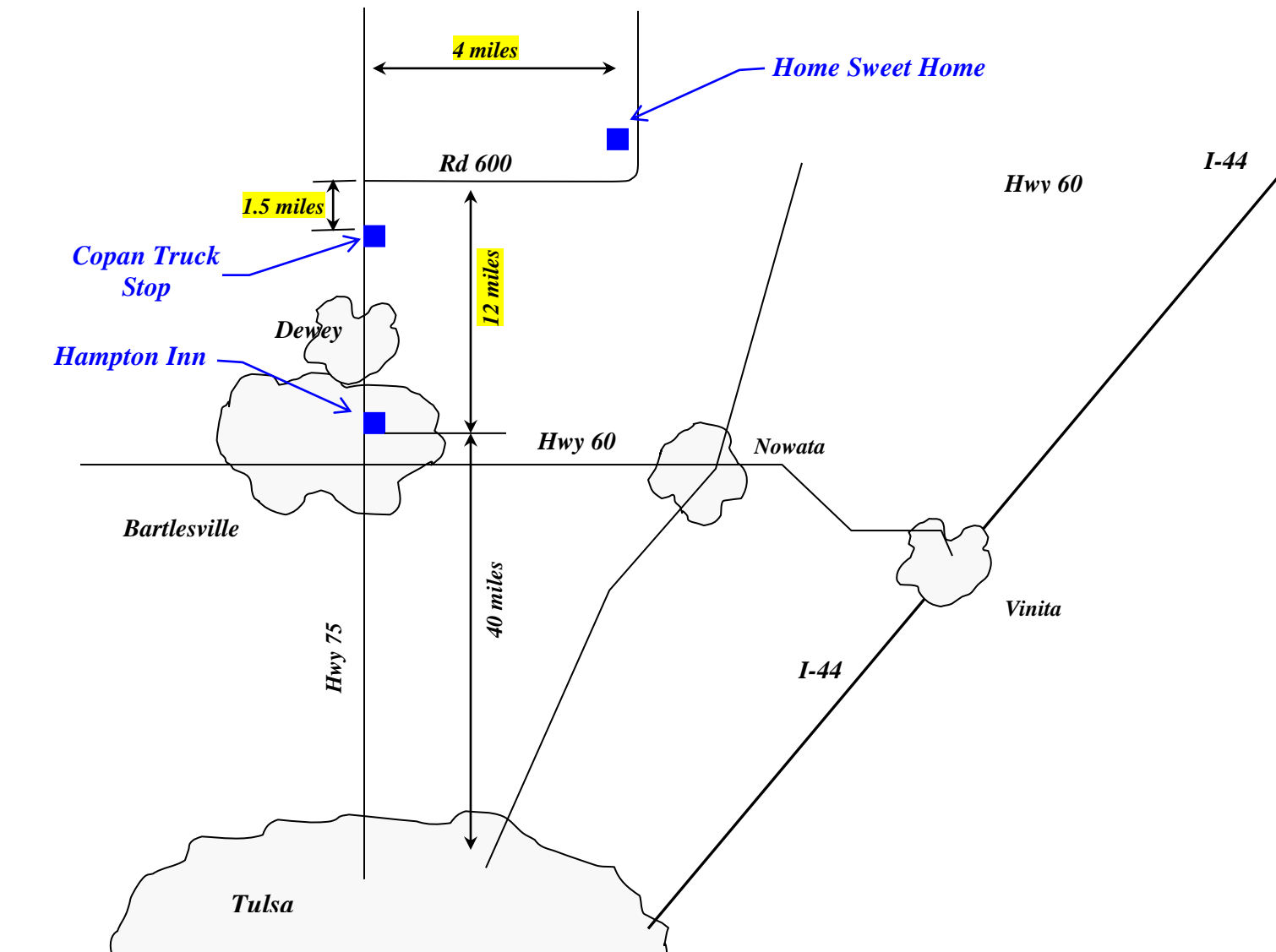
- 1) When exiting from the Airport take **Hwy 11 West**.
- 2) Go about 3 miles and turn **Right** (north) on **Hwy 75**.
- 3) Go about 40 miles and you will come to **Bartlesville**.
- 4) The **Hampton Inn** is on the right-hand side about 1 mile north of Super Wal-Mart.



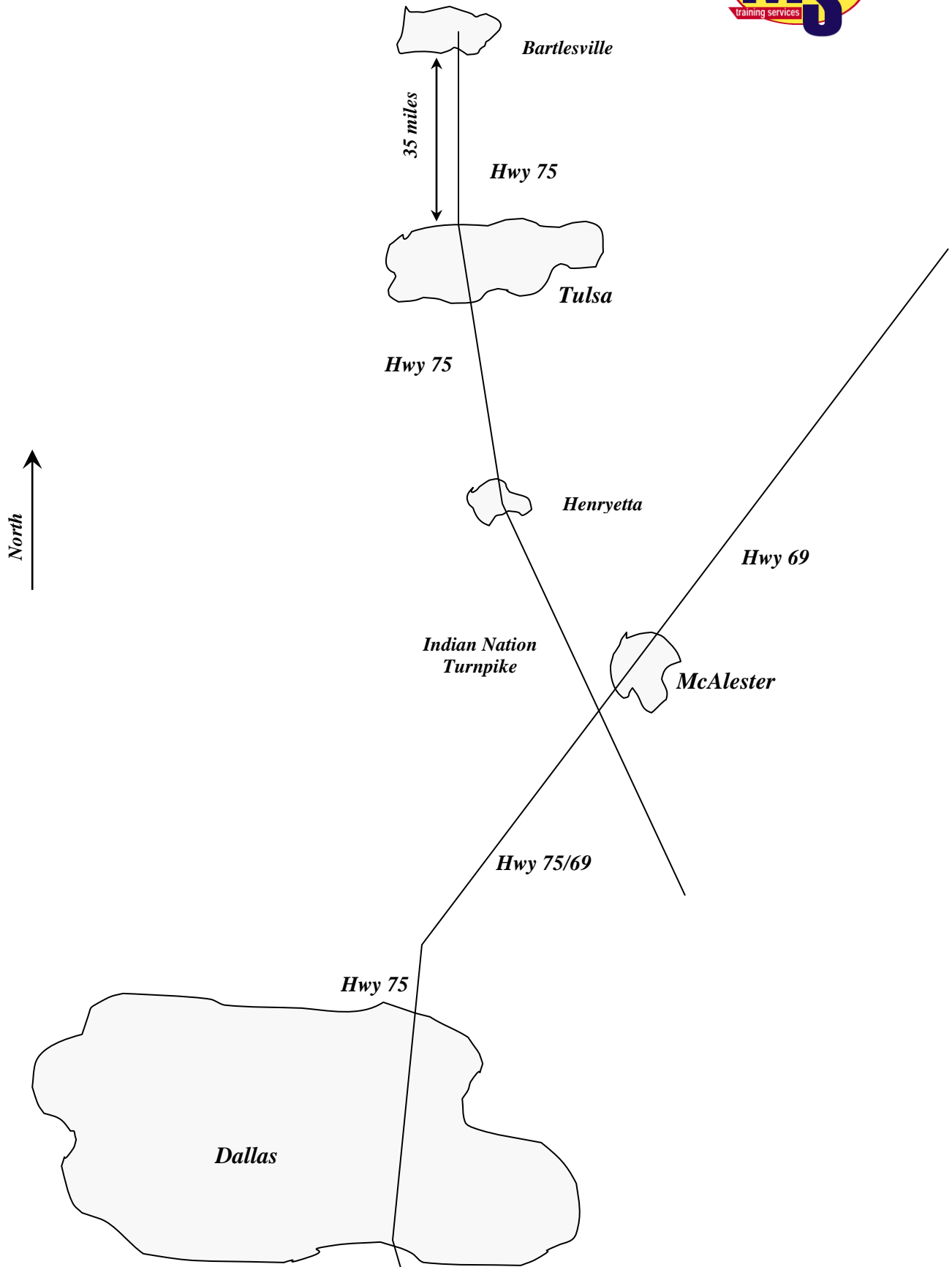
**Mark & Deena's**      5471 N. 4020 Road, Wann, OK 74083  
 Home Phone:      918. 531-2441      Cell: 918. 440-0143  
 Coordinates:      36°56'06.5"N 95°50'45.5"W or  
                              N 36.935133 W 95.845971

**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 1<sup>st</sup> house on the left-hand side. Class is in the Barn.



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