

Hike #360

**FRIENDSHIP PARK TO PORTUGUESE BEND HIKE  
FEBRUARY 12, 1997**

**Hike leader: Bill Nakano**

**Trail head: Friendship Park, 9th St. / Miraleste St. entrance parking lot**

**Start time: 9 : 30 AM**

**Distance : 7 miles, moderate**

**Elevation : 800 feet to sea level and back up**

**View : excellent view of the South Shores of Palos Verdes Peninsula**

**Directions : Go to the southern end of Harbor Fwy ( 110 ) to Gaffey St.**

**South ( left ) on Gaffey to 9th St.**

**West (right ) on 9th to Western Ave**

**Cross Western and turn left in half a block**

**( 9th St. turns into Miraleste )**

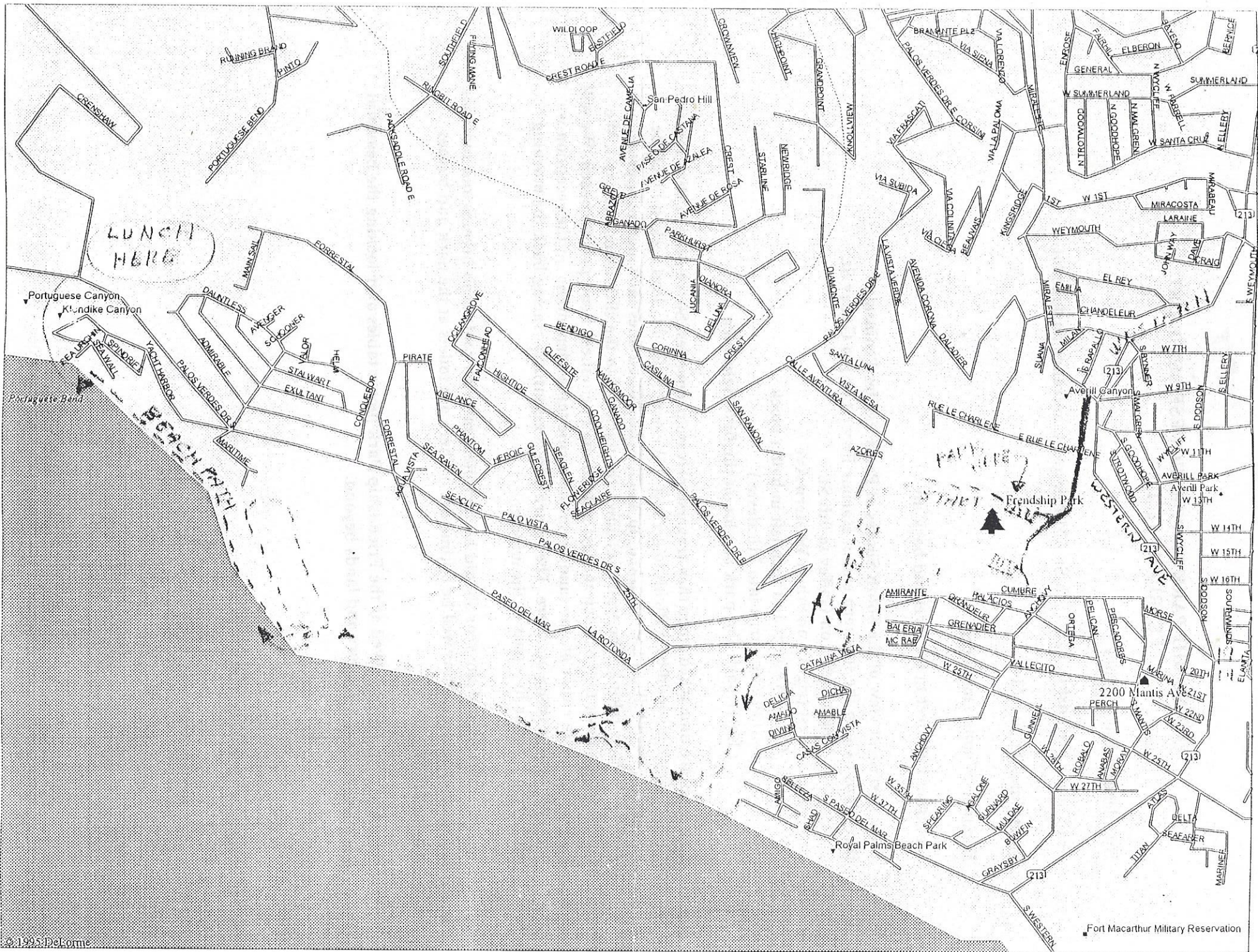
**Enter park and park in a lot on the first right turn**

The trails are unmarked since they traverse private properties. So we need to stick together - even though it would be difficult to get lost. ( We could hike by dead reckoning of the Friendship Park hill. ) I have marked up a map with dotted lines showing the approximate route we will be taking. The trail goes down the park hill to the cliffs along the coast. We will be going down to the beach the last mile to the Portuguese Bend private beach. We will have lunch there either on the sand or on the picnic tables depending on the reception we receive from the residents there. The return trip is essentially tracing back the morning trails with a minor by - pass in the middle.

The hike this time of the year should be very pleasant with cool ocean breezes and sunshine to warm us up. (might as well be optimistic? ) There are toilets at the park and bushes along the cliffs.

Refreshments will be served at the Friendship Park picnic tables over looking the beautiful San Pedro hills, its harbors and lands beyond.





MAP COURTESY OF GEORGE THOMAS