

Japanese Gardens and I proposed again. We didn't have an engagement ring in Aruba. Amanda didn't know it, but I had one to give her this time. So she got two proposals, a ring and cried again," said Ulysses.

They wanted a small, intimate wedding. Cannon Beach was their choice.

"We had vacationed there previously with the kids and loved it. We called The Ocean Lodge, whose staff helped us with everything we needed to make a wedding. Our moms, Ulysses' sister and a couple of my cousins made up our guest list. And then to our amazement, my (now our) wonderful neighbors showed up. It was very touching," Amanda said.

"At 5 p.m. on a beautiful, warm day, we gathered on the beach. Someone had hooked a cell phone into some speakers, so we even had music. My two boys escorted me down the aisle. I wore a strapless chiffon dress. My daughter was my best girl, all dressed up in a pretty chiffon dress, too. Ulysses wore shorts, suspenders and a button-down shirt, so did my boys. A favorite memory will always be of my boys walking me down the aisle, each holding one of my hands. Our vows emphasized family unity. We called our wedding celebration our family-moon."

After a Champagne toast, off peddled the just married Mr. and Mrs. Mireles on beach bikes complete with celebratory beer cans clanging behind them.

Mo's Restaurant served the wedding dinner. A small chocolate chiffon wedding cake from the Cannon Beach Bakery, was just big enough to serve 20, not a crumb remaining. The day ended back on the beach with a big beach fire, complete with s'mores.

"It was exactly what we wanted. We know we'll be back each year for our family anniversary," Amanda and Ulysses agreed ... at the time, but see below!

Hold the press. The Mirele Family is pleased to announce they are expecting a new baby, with a birthdate sometime in late August 2015. Cannon Beach family-moon plans 2015 are on hold.



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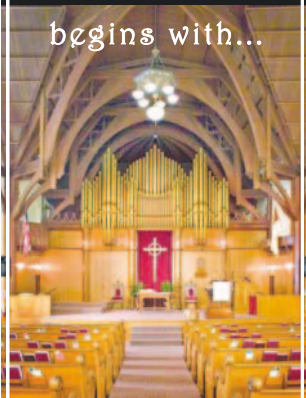
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