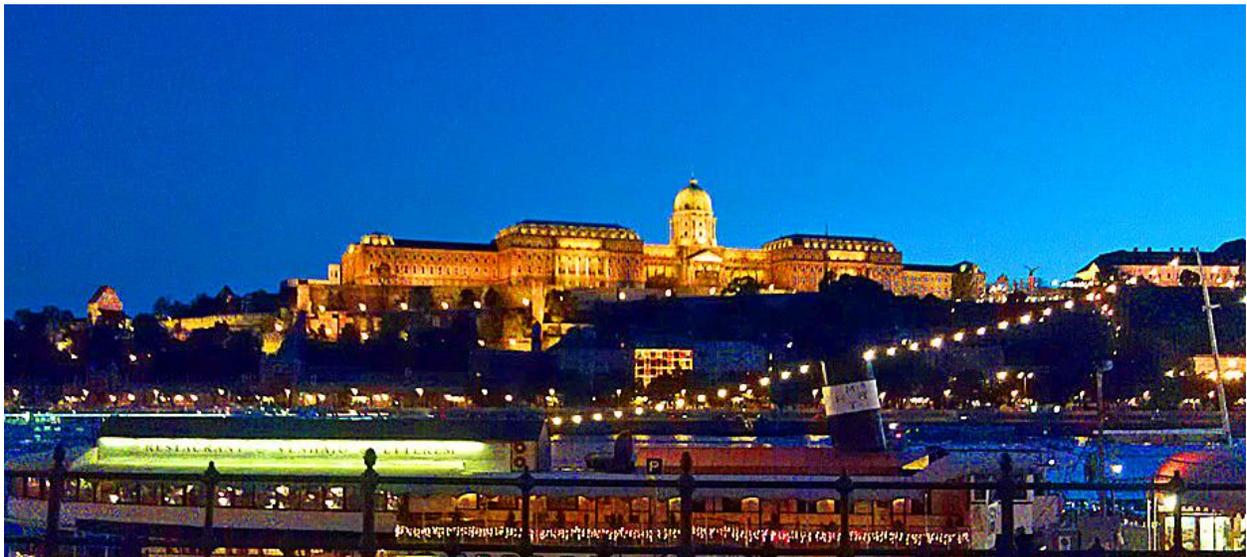


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Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2013



In August, we vacationed on Cape Cod with our New England families, coming together in solidarity and support for Lucy and John, Ean and Max after the divorce. Here we all are at Bubala's in Provincetown.



In July, Frances and John toured Poland, Hungary, and the Slovak and Czech Republics. This view is from the Chain Bridge hotel across the Danube to the castle on Buda Hill. We started in Krakow, Poland staying with John's brother Charles and Ania in their village; then to Budapest with a one day train trip to Bratislava visiting the Horak family and then to Jaroslav and Maria Koziel in Popovice near Prague; with our last few days in Prague itself. For the full story see: <http://www.shawx.com/Our2012triptoPolandHungaryandSlovakandCzechRepublics.htm>

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In January and February we visited Florida and Alabama; starting in Naples on the west coast then over to the east where Michael and Barbara were staying with their friend JJ. Then up into the Florida panhandle and then to Gulf Shores, Alabama and south via Sarasota to Fort Myers and then flew home. It was a visit we really enjoyed and we may return if the Boston winter is too harsh. Which reminds us, John's new snow blower got NO exercise last winter. It arrived AFTER our only snow storm (in October). So no photos of snowdrifts this year! We don't believe Boston will escape two years in a row; so we are ready to do battle. (P.S. Snow is flying as we finalize this!) Oh yes, in the fall we had a visit from nephew Richard and his mother Arlene. They caught the tail end of leaf peeping then endured Hurricane Sandy!

A few photos from 2012



Annika's last cross country race, with Sarah: Ean and Oliver on Cape Cod: Lucy and Max at Frances' medal event:



Clare and Mike Andrea in Halloween attire (center 😊) Paul's Hurricane Sandy Halloween Pumpkin: Oliver as Tron



Frances' Cheverus Medal: John's chess trophy: Paul's retiring space shuttles: Prague's City Hall Astronomical clock
Below, an Older Photo!

Shawcross, Pride and Tunney cousins in a park, long ago! Here, thanks to Paul's project to digitize old family photos.



Lots of Love and Best Wishes for 2013: May good things happen! *John and Frances*

(Please note our telephone numbers at the top of this letter; we are not in the book anymore!)