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I was born and raised in Paris (S.C.) a neighboring suburb of Greenville South Carolina some time later.

I started dancing in the late forties, and early fifties, at Paris Mountain State Park, and our local Pine Grove Lake. some of the best jitterbugs that usually showed up were people like . . . Betty Wilson, Jack Daniels, Sarah Cash, D.B. Evans, Stick Trussel, Iky Kerns, the "Johnson Boys", Charlie and Lamar, and of course Jo Jo Putnam.

When school was out, we took off to the beach, usually thumbing our way, but it was always worth it! We took our favorite slacks, with "welt seams" and pistol flaps!! Tough! Our group at Myrtle Beach consisted of . . . Joan Mabry, Jimmy Dingler, Weezie Rogers, Al Brown, Jean Allen, Eddie Monsour, Hewer Richardson, Buck Holcombe, H.T. Campbell, Bobby Cookson, Bert Bennett . . . and I must mention Sleepy Timmerman . . . Clayton McManaway . . the one and only Doodle Munn, and the pride of Spartanburg, Charlie Porter.

Due to the Blue Laws, Sundays at Myrtle Beach, the Pavilion was closed to dancing, so we took off to Ocean Drive, and danced at Roberts Pavilion. I sure made a lot of friends there, such as . . . Leon Williams, Craig Blackmon, Heyward Collins, Jimmy Calcutt, and Wormy Worrell.

In the winter, at Carolina, Frank Epps (the Judge) called the Pi Kappa Phi House, "Ma Reagans" (Myrtle Beach) in the winter.

After forty years, we are still enjoying dancing, and partying with most of the same friends. I appreciate Swink, and Dennis for getting the reunions started.

"AND THE BEAT GOES ON."