

Homes

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BRIAN BALAS' residence, located at 308 E. State St., was originally built in 1907 by Keith for J.J. Whatley, a prominent rice buyer in the Eagle Lake area and one of the finest presidents of The First National Bank.

The Georgian-style mansion has the original hardwood floor in the formal living and dining rooms, and game room. Visitors should particularly note the hand-carved mahogany four-poster bed and armoire in the master bedroom. The 12-foot ceilings throughout the house give it a very spacious feel.

The original screened sleeping porches are now a glass-windowed breakfast area downstairs and walk-in closet upstairs. These are the only major structural changes in the house since the turn of the century.

**THE MAIN BUILDING** of the Eagle Hill Inn & Retreat complex was built as a residence in 1937 by Hayes Stephens, one of Eagle Lake's most prominent citizens. The house featured every convenience and luxury known to the building trade at that time, such as central air and heat, remotely-controlled garage doors, elevator and underground lawn sprinkler system.

Visitors should particularly note the spacious rooms and convenient layout of the house. Also, the high-quality materials used in its construction are very evident, as are the exquisite fittings and finish work.

# Wine and Cheese Social

Live and silent auctions to highlight event at Antiques @ 312 Main

The Eagle Lake Prairie Chicken Festival Committee will host a Wine and Cheese Social at the Antiques @ 312 Main building, located near the square in Eagle Lake, on Saturday, April 8 from 5 to 7 p.m.

The evening's events will include a live and silent auction, boasting original artwork provided by local artists, as well as various items donated by generous local businesses and individuals.

Admission is \$10 per person.

Auction items and donors include, but are not limited to:

- Original water colors by Karen Marsh;
- Original pencil drawing by Lesley Matthews;
- Original floral still life by Margo Harrison;
- Original oil painting, titled "Sunday," by Alvin "Hootie" Wiese;
- Original Prairie Chicken sculpture by Tony Tyler;
- Original painted ceramic pots by Becky Marsalia;
- Cohen Prairie Chicken print framed with stamp and coin, Festival Committee;
- Guided teal hunt for 4 with lodging and breakfast, Brian Balas;
- Guided fishing trip for 3 — two days and one night in Port O'Connor, Eagle Lake Dental Associates;
- Teeth whitening, Eagle Lake Dental Associates;

- Haviland Limoges "snail shell," Antiques @ 312 Main;
- Leather briefcase, Eagle Lake Dental Associates;
- Two electric tooth brushes, Dixie Office Supply;
- Satellite & installation, Radio Shack and Eagle Lake Drug Store;
- Two sets of 25 millennium silver dollars, The First National Bank of Eagle Lake;
- Fifty state commemorative quarter map with six limited edition quarters, Wallis State Bank;
- \$20 gift certificate, Royal Cleaners;
- Cooling system flush and quickdube, Lake Motors;
- Silk topiary, Creative Expressions;
- Bed & Breakfast for two, Eagle Hill Inn & Retreat;
- Wine & decanter, Cindy's Spirits;
- 50 printed Christmas cards, Laker Printing;
- Dinner for two, Sportsman's Restaurant;
- Hair dryer, Eagle Barber Shop;
- Angel statue, The Baumgart Agencies;
- Two 1-month membership gift certificates, Eagle Lake Rehabilitation Services;
- Winchester clock, Johnny's Sport Shop;
- Lunch for two, Cupboard;
- Tool box, Lake Lumber Co.;
- Bird house, Eagle Lake General Store;
- Little red wagon, A.J. Strauss Auto Parts;
- Signed Cohen book, "The Golden Crescent Book," Wiese Crop Insurance;
- Stuffed pheasant, B&S Bird Taxidermy;

- Set of 6 note cards of historic Eagle Lake, Main Street Program;
- Framed photo of downtown Eagle Lake in 1912, Main Street Program;
- Folding lounge with footrest, Weatherly Anesthesia & Regional Providers PC; and

•Framed black and white print by Tony Tyler, Eagle Lake Dental Associates.

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