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The Buffalo County Historical Society will be hosting a “150 Nails” contest to coincide with the Nebraska 150th Sesquicentennial.

The general public is invited to create something using 150 nails with cash prizes for each of the two categories:

Category A: Participants can only use 150 nails and only 1 other medium (i.e. glue, string, wire, a base, etc.).

Category B: Participants may use any materials plus 150 nails.

Any size of nail may be used. Finished item must be no larger than 3 foot long, 3 foot wide and 3 foot tall. The finished piece will be handled and moved a couple different times, so it must be portable without falling apart. A completed entry form and \$5 entry fee must accompany the piece and has to be delivered to the Trails & Rails Museum office between the dates of May 30 and June 7 of 2017 during regular business hours.

Participants may start anytime and practice as often as they would like. Only one entry per person may be submitted. The Trails & Rails Museum Blacksmith Volunteers will have some sample ideas up in their shop. Visit often to see what has been added!

"We are thrilled to partner with the Buffalo County Historical Society for this historic event," said Regan Anson, Executive Director of the Nebraska 150 Celebration.

“This is a fun way to involve all ages in the Nebraska 150 Celebration and to tie in our local Wagons West Celebration,” said Jennifer Murrish, Buffalo County Historical Society’s Executive Director.

All pieces will be unveiled during the 2017 Wagons West Celebration, Saturday, June 17th from 10-1 pm. Judges will announce winners at the Celebration.

Judges will review submitted items based on the following criteria: were 150 nails used, the size requirement, originality, and the completed registration form and \$5 was submitted on time.

Prizes: The Grand Prize will be \$150. One grand prize winner will be determined for each category. The runner up in each category will win 150 quarters (quarters because we are dealing with metal). Prizes are gratefully sponsored by an anonymous donor and by BD Construction.

Copyright Rules: Any items that depict copyrighted images will be rejected. (i.e. do not depict characters from television shows, movies, video games, or books) Participants should use their own ideas.

Additional details are included in the registration form. Please contact BCHS to receive a form or find it on our Facebook page: **“BuffaloCounty HistoricalSociety”**.

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