As you've heard, Nebraska Hams are invited to take part in a commemoration of Nebraska's Sesquicentennial (150th) Anniversary.

Hams are encouraged to add "/NE150" to their calls and make as many contacts as they can all year long. A special Nebraska Sesquicentennial QSO party will take place for the nine days surrounding the March 1 State Anniversary. More information is available at the NE150Hams website: www.ne150hams.org.

Commemorative QSL cards are available free except for the cost of postage. Hams will be able to request cards as long as they supply stamps or, preferably, a stamped self-addressed-envelope. Instructions on how to get cards will be posted on the website.

In addition, to save costs, we encourage clubs to request QSL cards "in bulk" and distribute them to club members. We will hand deliver the cards, if possible. If not, we will request stamps in the amount of the postage required to mail them.

Current plans are to make certificates available for operation during the QSO party. A participation certificate will be available upon request at the website. For those hams who would like a certificate indicating the number of contacts they made during the QSO party, we will accept logs submitted as adif or Cabrillo files (paper will be accepted if that is the only means available to the requester). Instructions will be posted on the website.

Finally, for those stations submitting logs, special certificates will be sent to the in-state and out-of-state stations making the top three numbers of contacts. Again, for more information, please check the website (<u>www.ne150hams.org</u>) – please be patient as we continue to update the site. You may also email <u>info@ne150hams.org</u> with questions.

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