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For the second year, the Balcony House Bed and Breakfast of Imperial is one of the 80 featured stops in the 2013 Nebraska Passport project.

Sponsored by the Nebraska Tourism Commission, the Passport program encourages travelers to explore Nebraska, collect stamps from participating attractions and earn great prizes.

The 2013 Passport will feature 80 attractions on 10 themed tours: Hit the Hot Spots, Meet the Locals, Picture the Scene, Play Outside, Savor the Flavor, Seeing is Believing, Sleep Tight, Tap Into It, Turn the Page and Wrangle the West.

The Balcony House is in the Sleep Tight category.

Travelers have from May through September to visit attractions and redeem their stamps for prizes. For each completed tour, participants win a Nebraska Passport T-shirt.

Travelers can also receive 20 \$1 Nebraska Lottery Scratch coupons in celebration of the Nebraska Lottery's 20th anniversary and a digital camera.

A grand prize drawing for an iPad mini will be held in October.

Passports will be available at participating stops in May or can be pre-ordered by emailing [info@NebraskaPassport.com](mailto:info@NebraskaPassport.com).

Some other area attractions that are included in the Passport include Petrified Wood and Art Gallery of Ogallala, NEBRASKAland Days of North Platte, The Art and Gift Gallery of North Platte, the Lincoln County Historical Museum of North Platte, Loop Brewing Company of McCook, Buffalo Bill Ranch State Historical Park of North Platte and Strawbale Church of Arthur.