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Glenn Swanson waves at the crowd during the Carlton Daze parade, where he promoted this weekend's Honey Bee Festival.

entertainment and education.

Gates open at 2 p.m. Friday, and 11 a.m. Saturday. A two-day pass is \$30, a day pass is \$20.

Festivalgoers will find a wealth of information about how to support and advocate for bees and other pollinators such as butterflies and birds.

On Friday, Alyssa Bloss, conservation specialist from Carlton Soil and Water Conservation District, will speak about pollination and invite festivalgoers to return Saturday to help plant a new pollinator garden on the Oldenburg House grounds.

Campers from the Bee Friendly Arts Camp will start things off at 3 p.m. Friday, followed by an

and whatever else comes to mind.

"We're just doing what we do: being crazy and loving the bees," said Glenn Swanson, who produces the annual event with his partner and wife, Emily.

It is a unique festival. Held on the grounds of the Oldenburg House at 604 Chestnut Ave. in Carlton - their bed and breakfast and entertainment venue - the event combines music and the arts with sophistication and whimsy all wrapped up in a pro-pollinator theme that pervades everything from food and vendor sales to arts,



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