



## 2017 Raleigh RV Show - RV Educational Seminars

Presented by Howard & Linda Payne, RV-Dreams.com

Howard & Linda Payne quit their corporate jobs and sold their house at age 41. Though they were living what most people would call the “American Dream”, they felt there was more to life than what traditional society expected. So, in a moment of enlightenment, or mid-life crisis if you prefer, they gave up all they knew, including a steady paycheck, for life on the road in an RV for an indefinite period. That was in 2005.

Along with that decision, they decided to start a website called RV-Dreams.com. It is a site in which Howard took the mounds of research he had done and compiled it into one place for others considering full-time RVing. In addition, he and Linda decided to open up their lives and post their journey, their triumphs and mistakes, and their financial information for a more complete, honest look at full-time RVing. That little website has grown into quite a community and includes a daily online journal, a forum, and more.

Howard and Linda have presented seminars at RV shows, at RV rallies, and at RV educational conferences. And they also put on their own RV-Dreams educational rallies each year. In addition, Howard and Linda have also worked a variety of jobs on the road to help support their full-timing lifestyle. Their diversity of experiences, their age, and their background have combined to create an interesting perspective on RV living. And, their refreshingly straightforward approach provides those investigating the lifestyle with tools to properly evaluate whether full-timing is right for them.

### FRIDAY, February 24, 2017

#### 1:00pm Full-time RVing - Preparing & Evaluating The Options:

Howard & Linda Payne have been full-time RVers for going on twelve years. In this seminar, they discuss many of the things to think about if you are considering living and traveling in an RV including whether or not this wonderful lifestyle is for you. They also cover costs of living on the road, choosing a domicile state, getting mail, finding healthcare services, and much more.

#### 3:00pm Workamping & Volunteering - Free Campsites & Supplemental Income:

Full-time RVers Howard & Linda Payne explain how RVers can work and volunteer while traveling and earn free campsites and supplemental income if so desired. This seminar covers how to find positions for RVers, what types of positions are available, and what to consider before accepting a position.

#### 5:00pm Buying An RV - Choosing What Is Right For You:

This seminar is geared toward those purchasing their first RV. In it we cover the different types of RVs, the pros and cons of each type, and how your intended use of the RV factors into your decision. An RV purchase is a big decision, and we try to help you be a better informed buyer before you shell out your hard-earned money.

### SATURDAY, February 25, 2017

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#### 11:00am Buying An RV - Choosing What Is Right For You:

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**1:00pm RVing Basics I - Driving, Towing, Parking, Hitching & Unhitching:**

Most new RV owners have never driven or towed anything that large. In this seminar, we provide tips to help keep you safe while traveling. And then we discuss getting into campsites followed by step-by-step suggestions for hitching and unhitching fifth wheels, travel trailers, and vehicles towed by motorhomes.

**3:00pm RVing Basics II - Hooking Up Utilities & RV Systems Overview:**

Experienced RVers know there are certain ways to hook up utilities and other best practices when you arrive at a campsite. In this seminar, we not only discuss some of those best practices, but we also provide an overview of RV electrical, plumbing, and propane systems. The more you know about how your RV works, the more you will enjoy it.

**5:00pm Boondocking & Solar Overview:**

Many RVers want to be able to camp in areas where there are no utilities - we call this "boondocking". Boondocking allows you to save money and get out into more remote areas of our beautiful country. We will discuss tips and tricks and how to manage with your RVs original equipment. Then we will discuss additional equipment that may be necessary for a week or more of boondocking including solar panels, generators, larger battery banks, and more.

## **SUNDAY, February 26, 2017**

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**1:00pm Buying An RV - Choosing What Is Right For You:**

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