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Are you planning to donate your car to charity? The IRS has a new publication, *A donor's Guide to Car Donations*, that explains what is allowed. It details four exemptions for the general rule that the donor's writeoff for a vehicle that is sold by the charity cannot be more than the sale price. It also lays out the circumstances when Form 8283 must be filed and when an appraisal is required. You can get a copy of the publication by going to www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p4303.pdf or by calling 800-829-3676.

Retiree Update

I got an e-mail from **Col James "BAT" Drake**, now in the AF Reserve. BAT is still at Camp Smith, but getting closer to retirement. His wife **Col Gayle Seifullin** remains the commander of the AF Reserve medical unit on Hickam AFB.

I got an e-mail from **COL Lance Okihara** who retired a year or two ago from the Army Guard. Lance was the commander for the 292nd Combat Communications Squadron on Maui. He later transferred to the Army Guard to take a job at the United States Fiscal and Property Office. He continues his Federal service with the Corps of Engineers at Ft. Shafter

I was eating a quick lunch the other day, when the mail guy made his delivery. The mail guy turned out to be **MSgt Stanford "Dobo" Dobashi**, who served in the Wing Headquarters. Dobo retired several years ago and from what we talked about, is very close to collecting his Guard retirement.

I got a phone call from **Lt Col Allen Shinsato**, who served as the HIANG Comptroller for several years. Al still works as a financial officer for one of the departments at the University of Hawaii, Manoa.