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Numbers and examples may still change monthly, due to changes in the tax law and the federal AFR rate.

PAGE 5  The gift example at the top is still accurate for most taxpayers but, as of 2013, the top long term capital gains tax rate for taxpayers in the upper bracket is now 20%.

PAGE 12/13  Gift annuity rates did not change for 2014, so rates and deductions are unchanged.

PAGE 15  For the Retirement Unitrust example – $50,000/year pay in for 10 years, then 7% payout – due to tax changes (and previous typo), his total tax deductions will be $151,000, he receives $58,000 in the first year of retirement, an estimated $1,130,000 over the trust’s life, and the BSA receives an estimated $882,000 at the donor’s death.

PAGE 16  The first Lead Trust example is current. In the 2nd example, the Family Lead Trust, the gift tax deduction is $478,000. So, for only $22,000 in gift tax liability, the donor can transfer an estimated $794,000 to the children in 15 years.

PAGE 18  The rollover IRA provision that has been place has not been renewed yet for 2014. Donors who wish to make contributions from their IRA are required to take the taxable distribution and then make a charitable gift to the Boy Scouts. It may be possible that the charitable deduction they would receive from this gift would equal the amount of tax they would pay on the distribution.

PAGE 19  For 2014, the lifetime exclusion is $5.34 million per person, during life OR through an estate without owing gift or estate taxes. A married couple may transfer unlimited amounts between them, and up to $10.68 million at any time to anyone else they want (e.g. children, grandchildren, etc.).

PAGE 20  Annual Exclusion is now $14,000/year per person ($28,000/year for couples).