



**Perley Rideau**

The Perley and Rideau Veterans'  
Health Centre Foundation

## **FIRST EVER PERLEY RIDEAU CAR LOTTERY**

**OTTAWA, January 9, 2013** --- Barbara Ann Scott-King's husband Tom King has given Barbara's red convertible 1988 Mercedes Benz 560 SL to the Perley Rideau Foundation in memory of his late wife Barbara. The Perley Rideau Foundation is offering the classic car, appraised at \$40,000, in a lottery where only 1,948 tickets can be sold.

The number of tickets available commemorates the special year 1948 when she won the European, World and Gold Olympic titles in a six-week period. This was a phenomenal achievement creating Canada's first international star. Barbara Ann Scott was only 19 years old at the time. She remains to this day the only person to hold Canadian, North American, European and World Championships titles and the Olympic gold medal simultaneously.

After Barbara retired from competitive skating, she stayed involved with her sport and the community at large. "She was certainly a champion on and off the ice", says Daniel G. Clapin, Executive Director of the Perley Rideau Foundation. "For us at the Perley Rideau, her involvement turned out to be a long personal relationship as she regularly visited our veterans and other seniors in the Health Centre." She quickly accepted to be an Honorary Co-Chair of the exciting \$5 million *Building Choices, Enriching Lives* Capital Campaign which is helping to address the need for independent and assisted living for seniors including veterans.

Barbara passed away in September 2012 and, we were recently informed by her husband, that her vintage Mercedes roadster, that she affectionately called her Bennie, was being donated to The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre Foundation to help fundraise.

Tickets are \$100 each and we expect they will go fast. The draw will take place on her birthday, May 9, 2014 at 10 a.m. at The Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre.

Tickets will be available at the Canadian Tire Centre during the Canadian Figure Skating Championships to be held from January 9 to 15, 2014. Check the Perley Rideau booth. Tickets can also be purchased by phone at 613-526-7173 or in person at the Foundation office (1750 Russell Road, Ottawa). Order forms are available at [www.perleyrideau.ca/mercedes](http://www.perleyrideau.ca/mercedes).