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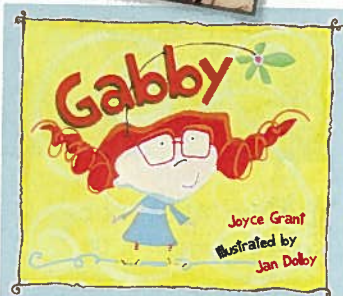
**2** Mitena (Macocchio) Filazzola, TRSM '81, on holiday in Europe.



**5** Alumni Doug and Dee Howell of Huntsville are the proud parents of gold medal Olympian Dara, who won the slopestyle skiing event at Sochi.



**6** Luba Lesychyn, Magazine Journalism '86, penned the mystery novel *Theft by Chocolate*.



**4** Joyce Grant, Journalism '85, is the author of the picture book series *Gabby*.

**[5] Doug Howell, TRSM '86 and Dee Howell, Interior Design '85**, are the proud parents of Canadian Olympian Dara Howell, who competed in women's slopestyle skiing in Sochi this winter – and took home the gold medal in the new Olympic event. Fittingly, the Howells, who operate the family-owned Pow Wow Point Lodge in Huntsville, Ont., met on a ski hill, and the rest, as they say, is history!

**[6] Luba Lesychyn, Magazine Journalism certificate '86**, has published *Theft by Chocolate*, a cheeky museum heist mystery about a woman looking for chocolate, love and an international art thief in all the wrong places. She writes: "This love letter to the museum world, in which I worked for more than 20 years – at the Royal Ontario Museum and subsequently for Cultural Innovations, a private museum consulting firm in Toronto and London, U.K. – is catching readers off-guard with its unusual combination of *Bridget Jones's Diary*-like humour and thriller elements. The book is inspired by my experiences at the ROM and by a real-life, never-solved heist at the museum in the early 1980s that rocked the security industry globally. The novel is a fictional imagining, weaving the historical event into a 21st-century setting and into the capricious escapades of a fumbling, chocolate-addicted amateur sleuth." Visit [chocolativore.com](http://chocolativore.com).

**Gordon Preston, Aerospace Engineering '84**, has been with Embraer Commercial Aviation in Florida for the past 10 years. He is regional sales manager. Just after graduation, he worked at de Havilland Aircraft in Toronto on flight testing work on the Dash 8 aircraft.

## 90s **Rose Ann (Greco)**

**Radosevic, TRSM '95**, is on a team from Canada Health Infoway that was recently named the first Canadian company and first government-funded organization in the world to win the prestigious international Project Management Office of the Year Award. ▶



**Anne Graham, TRSM '84**, started her own consulting practice in 2000, and has since built the business into The Legendary Value Institute, home to her online learning programs and consulting business. She also served as assistant dean of executive programs at the University of British Columbia, and taught in its MBA and PhD programs. Graham is the author of *Profit in Plain Sight: Five Principled Paths to Passion, Profit and Growth*, distilling 30 years of experience into a practical road to help businesses. In honour of the role Ryerson played in shaping her success, she pledged to donate part of her book proceeds to the university. Visit [annegraham.com](http://annegraham.com).

**[4] Joyce Grant, Journalism '85**, last fall published her second children's picture book,

*Gabby: Drama Queen*, a follow-up to *Gabby*, about a girl who drops a book from which the letters fall out and everything she spells with them comes to life. *Gabby*, illustrated by Jan Dolby, was recently voted a Top 10 Best Bet picture book by the Ontario Library Association. Grant is also the co-founder of a daily, kid-friendly news website called Teaching Kids News. She writes: "I invite (and encourage!) all Ryerson J-grads to submit a kid-friendly news article." Visit [teachingkidsnews.com](http://teachingkidsnews.com).

**Helene Hadfield, TRSM '81**, studied accounting at Ryerson and has since enjoyed great variety in her life, from attending law school and being a chef, to learning to ride horseback and working for motivational speaker Tony Robbins, not to mention being married to astronaut Chris Hadfield, who she met at age 15. They married in December 1981, and have three children.