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## Linda LeBlanc— "No Summit Out of Sight"

Inspired by a mural in his California school depicting the highest mountain on each continent, nine-year-old **Jordan Romero** vowed that he would reach those "Seven Summits."

In "No Summit Out of Sight," Jordan reveals how he achieved this goal at a record-setting age, scaling each mountain under the guidance of his father and stepmother, professional athletes who compete in extreme adventure races.

Jordan wrote the book with **Linda LeBlanc**. Born in Denver, Colorado at the foot of the Rockies, Linda's love affair with mountains began as a young child.

An adventure traveler to 40 countries on six continents, she first discovered the wonderful Nepalese people in 1986. Working with a group of Sherpas, she was a founder of the first lodge chain in Nepal and helped establish 18 lodges in the Everest region.

She began organizing and leading treks to the Everest Base Camp two years later. With a BA in literature and a Masters in Library Science, she combined her love of books, other cultures, and research skills to pen the first fiction written about Sherpas in Beyond the Summit.

Linda met Jordan in 2012 and was extremely impressed by not only his achievements but by the fine young man he is. He's solid to the core and has a warm and caring heart. She has the greatest admiration for him and was thrilled to have the opportunity to write his inspiring story.