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## ***Dedication***

*Jeanne Hansen DiScala*  
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*“Her Life Was Her Family, and Her Family Was Her Life”*



## ***Preface***

On October 14, 2000, I lost the most important person to me. My mother and I were extremely close. In fact, I can proudly say I was the "Ultimate Momma's boy." Every other weekend, I would travel from California to Connecticut to visit her. As a tribute, this book is dedicated in memory of my mother.

My real name isn't Johnny Jet, it's John Einar DiScala, and I was almost the "Ultimate Italian,"-- "John Anthony DiScala." Thank God, I was delivered two weeks early on my grandfather Hansen's Birthday. Although I never met grandpa, my mom would always tell stories about him. Grandpa came over from Denmark, and was a very strong man, who loved fish. Mom always dreamed of going to see the country where Dad was born. My mother chose not to go because she did not want to leave her kids. The one positive thing to come out of my mom's cancer was that I was able to give that dream to her. Cancer made my mom realize that life isn't forever and to seize every moment. When she recovered from her first nine hour operation, I said to my mom in the hospital bed, "Mom, when you get better, we are going to Denmark." She said, "No, I can't. I'm in chemo." I pressured her and finally my mother asked the doctor to give her a week off from the chemo. She was very excited about the trip and began packing a month earlier. I redeemed some miles and treated us to our dream trip.

Our seats were First Class to places we only dreamed about visiting including London for shopping and going to the theatre. We also visited Paris, where my mom would've studied if she took that scholarship from Parsons School of Design. The most important place was The Island of Fyn in Denmark. When we were landing in Copenhagen, I glanced over at my mom and I watched her staring out of the window, with tears rolling down her face. We toured the house where my grandfather grew up

and even took home a piece of the brick! We had the greatest time meeting long lost relatives and exploring Denmark. My mom was so cute and appreciative. She kept thanking me, but I was really thanking her.

Upon our return home, my mom's cancer came back spreading to her liver, esophagus, and gall bladder. She went through another grueling nine hour operation. Every time she would go into that operating room at Sloan Kettering Hospital, she looked like a soldier ready for the front line. When she came out, I said, "Mom, you need to get well soon, because I just ordered two more tickets to go back to Europe." Although she couldn't talk, she had a sparkle in her eye. That summer, my mom and I returned to Europe. She even made her first plane ride alone! She flew from New York to DC to meet me.

Mom had this special presence about her or maybe it was her way with words. As we waited for our flight in the stuffy, but plush first class lounge, I noticed that everyone in there was pre-tentious. I put my bags down, and then showed my mom all the gourmet food. I went to the bathroom and found all of the workers surrounding her. They were listening to her stories about how she was beating cancer, and how lucky she was to be flying first class. When I walked over, they told me how great my mom was, and how lucky she was to have a son like me. I said, "You are right! She is great, but she's not the lucky one - I am." It was so amazing that in just a few minutes, she had all these ladies laughing and bringing her gifts.

Our trip to Frankfurt, Strasbourg, Paris, Denmark, and Sweden was great. Although she still had the cancer, my mom managed to do this itinerary all in two weeks. She loved it! When we came home, we found out the cancer came back again, this time spreading to her lungs, but she didn't lose faith. She never gave up hope. She said to her doctor, "Do what ever it takes because I want to see my 3-year-old granddaughter's wedding." She had chemo every week for ten months.

While my mom was in the hospital, she was in tremendous pain. I would always ask her if she wanted me to spend the

night with her. I would stay by her side every night. However, this particular time, she said, "It might not be a good idea, it could be a rough night." I brought the cot in and while we were lying on our beds, we could hear all those terrible sounds that take place in a hospital. Across the hall, there was a lady screaming and moaning in pain. The nurses were cleaning my mother's other neighbor because she just passed away. I said, "Mom, we need to get you out of this horrible place. Where do you want to go?" She said "Let's go back to Europe... tonight." I said, "Great! Let's go! She turned out the light and I said, "Close your eyes. I can feel it, can you?" She said, "Oh yeah." I said, "Where are we?" My mom said, "We're in Strasbourg going up the canal in the tour boat." I said, "Yes we are!" She said, "Look at the picture perfect blue sky with all those soft puffy white clouds." I said, "Doesn't the sun feel so warm?" She said, "Yes it does and those flowers are so beautiful, and look at that magnificent church located on the right." I said, "This is such a beautiful place. Where do you want to go after Strasbourg?" She said, "Let's take the train to Paris." I said, "Great, I can't wait!" That night we both went to sleep --not in the hospital-- but in a much better place.

I'm not worried about my mom. I know her world is so much better now. The first thing we did when we got home after my mom died is throw away all of her medication and pain pills because she doesn't need them anymore. As Martin Luther King once said, "Free at Last, Free at Last, Thank God Almighty [She's] Free At Last." My mom is in Heaven now dancing with God, the Saints, her parents, her brothers, sister, niece, nephew, and many others. One day I will be with her. And mom, I am looking forward to our dance. I LOVE YOU!

If you would like to make a contribution to The American Cancer Society in her honor, please log on to [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) or call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.



## ***Introduction***

It's funny how things happen and businesses are created. I started Johnny Jet all for fun. It began by emailing a few of my traveling friends who were not earning the miles and points. We would compete with one another to see who would accrue the most miles. However, I felt like I wasn't a true friend if I didn't help them get the most out of their mileage programs. Besides, I was kicking their butts so badly that there was no way they would catch up! My points accumulated and I had learned a lot while traveling 125,000 miles a year. From reading the Sunday travel sections, to travel magazines and the frequent flier sites, I gained knowledge about traveling. First I started emailing my buddies important numbers and pin numbers so they could earn double or triple miles/points. As the weeks went by, I became more creative with the travel information. Weekly features such as tips, specials, Webcams, a helpful travel Web site of the week, and a story including exotic travel pictures were added. My list of subscribers continued to grow and I would get emails from new people asking to be added to my email list.

When my list grew to about 5,000 names, I decided it was time to create JohnnyJet.com. I felt there were so many helpful and cool sites out there, but not one of them provided all the essential travel information. I had so many travel bookmarks/favorites. I laid them all out and organized them with a couple of friends (Thanks Kevin and Bojan). Then... voila!... The Johnny Jet Portal was born!

JohnnyJet.com is designed to help travelers discover everything about traveling. It doesn't matter if you travel once every five years or if you travel five days a week. It's for everyone! It

really is your first stop to travel. My big break came when Laura Bly from USA Today found out about JohnnyJet.com and named it Web site of the week. From that point on, the press wrote about Johnny Jet and it was then featured in over 100 major news organizations including Time, Fortune, Los Angeles Times, New York Times, Washington Post, CNBC and, MSNBC. It's amazing how a personal site has grown as one of the most visited destinations on the Web!

Eventually, I started getting emails from readers around the world who wanted to know if I had a book. I never even thought of writing one until the emails became more frequent. That's where Eric came in. Around the same time, I started to receive many emails, I received a book proposal from Eric and his company, Yahbooks Publishing. I checked out his past books and liked them. I quickly learned that Eric was the savviest Internet guy out there, and he had three books and a weekly newsletter to prove it. What I liked about Eric was his enthusiasm and commitment. With these two positive qualities combined with mine, we could put together the ultimate Internet travel guide for people wanting quick and easy information. That's what we hope you'll find in this book.

We recommend referring to the Johnny Jet Codes listed in this book, while accessing the Johnny Jet Web site. This book was designed as a companion to JohnnyJet.com, to make the site easier to navigate and more beneficial to travelers. So keep it near your computer.

Thanks for you support and we hope you like our hard work! Happy Travels!

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## ***About the Authors***

### ***Eric Leebow***

Eric Leebow was born in Livingston, New Jersey on November 11, 1977. The numbers, 11/11/77, have always been known to be lucky. Eric's creativity started as a kid trying to use blocks to create buildings.

He is the second of four boys and one sister. He was always motivated by his brothers-- Jonathan, Matthew, and Todd, and his little sister Joni. Eric always worked hard in school and knew he could achieve his goals. He attended Lehigh University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing. Throughout his college years, he has found the Internet to be a tremendous learning tool and a great place to surf. After visiting JohnnyJet.com, Eric became fascinated with the site and contacted Johnny about creating a book based on the site.

When Eric is not on the Internet, he enjoys running, basketball, juggling, reading, and art. He is always interested in trying out new things and believes that there is no limit to creativity. Eric resides in Cleveland, Ohio.

### ***John Einar DiScala***

John Einar DiScala was born in Norwalk, Connecticut on May 31, 1969, on his grandfather, Einar Hansen's birthday. "When man first landed on the moon on the day of his christening, you knew he was going to be someone special," said his father, Francis J. DiScala Sr., a poet and a criminal trial lawyer. John's dad encouraged him to put his thoughts on paper and helped him learn to read at a young age. He found his most important lesson was being exposed to his mother's love and

commitment to family. Although she was once awarded a fellowship to Paris after graduating from Parsons School of Design, Jeanne traded her career as a fashion designer to "design a family." She was the most influential person in John's life, and she possessed an unyielding belief that family and love is paramount.

John is the youngest of four children. Nurtured and pushed by his older siblings, he was surrounded by his sisters, Georgette and Carol, and his brother Frank. Through their circle of friends, he learned to get along well with people of all ages, and made many friends outside of his age group. During his high school years, he lost interest in academics. However, he became interested in education again and attended college. He went from having poor grades in high school to becoming an honor student and Student Body President at Marymount College in Palos Verdes, California. He later transferred to Loyola Marymount where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and excelled in athletics.

Although John travels 150,000 miles a year, traveling didn't always come easy to him. At 18, while at JFK Airport with his mother, he refused to board a plane headed to Australia to visit his sisters. He suddenly became afraid to fly because he had asthma and the doctor put a great fear in him by saying, "The planes are pressurized only to 8,000 feet so you might have a tough time breathing." Three years later, he conquered his fear of flying when he decided to attend college in California. His attitude towards flying changed rapidly. After graduating college, John accepted a job as a recruiter for his alma mater; Marymount College. Due to his job duties, he was required to fly around the country, including 26 states and Hawaii. He soon became impatient with long lines, poor seating, delays and other frequent flying problems. John wanted to find better ways to reduce general misery and uncertainty that often accompanied his travel experience. He noticed that some people never waited in lines and enjoyed great perks like sitting in one of those comfortable

## ***About the Authors***

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seats, eating a gourmet dinner, and having their baggage off the plane first. This is also where he became fascinated with accruing miles and points. He studied these people, read a lot of travel books and magazines. Soon John began to email his circle of friends with what he had learned, along with weekly specials, webcams, the travel news and the coolest travel web sites. Everyone looked forward to receiving John's weekly stories with great traveling pictures.

Johnny Jet was born, a name he acquired as a teenager riding his jet ski (Johnny Jetski) on Long Island Sound. Today, he and JohnnyJet.com have received critical acclaim from various newspapers, magazines, and radio and television personalities, as one of the best travel sites on the Internet. According to MSNBC, "This site should be on every desktop." He resides in Los Angeles with his girlfriend Amber (AKA: Amber Airplane).



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## **Chapter 1**

### ***Steals and Deals on Fares***

*There are many ways to get deals on fares, you can go the charter flight route, shop at consolidators, be a courier, shop at many of the online sites, try travel auctions, or go straight to the airlines. The end result is getting your ticket. Here you will find the sites that will assist you in getting the best deals on fares.*

#### **\*Online Flights**

*Johnny Jet Code: Travel Flights*

To get the cheapest fares, shop around. Check all of these Web sites and compare prices. It's recommended that you check the information provided in this chapter first to see about the market, and if you are flexible, check the Travel Auctions chapter. Orbitz, and Qixo are the controversial sites that search multiple companies. Or if you like, you could try downloading Sidestep to do some comparison shopping. Remember, if you book your flight online, print out the confirmation page to keep track of your reservation.

**Here are twelve tips on getting low fares on flights for both online and offline:**

1. Stay current with the news and newspaper on airfares.
2. Stay over on Saturdays because less business travelers tend to stay on Saturdays, airlines can charge less for tickets when people stay over the weekend.
3. Be flexible with your flight schedule. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays are typically the cheapest days to fly when airports aren't as busy.
4. Consider traveling through a smaller sized airport or at off-peak times.
5. If you can make the late-night flights known as "red-eyes" or take a stop or two, you are likely to get lower fares.
6. It's recommended to ask the airline about package deals in other areas such as rental car or hotel rooms available with your ticket. Sometimes you can get miles by doing this.
7. Check a few Web sites to find lower fares, or use a fare comparison site.
8. Ask about standby fares when flying off-season.
9. You can save by purchasing tickets from consolidators who buy in blocks.
10. Book your flight at least 3-4 weeks in advance.
11. Utilize your frequent flier miles on longer trips.
12. Check out the low fare or budget airlines like Southwest, Jet Blue, Spirit, ATA, and others. These airlines usually have the cheapest fares.

## **Air Courier Association**

*<http://www.aircourier.org>*

Airline tickets are costly and Air Courier believes on giving lower ticket prices for its members. Prices are guaranteed to be the lowest, or your money is either refunded or the price is matched.

## **Air Tech Ltd.**

*<http://www.airtech.com>*

Air Tech's Flight Pass was designed for people who have flexibility with their travel. Through its unique Flight Pass, it is able to offer budget flight prices to travelers.

## **Air Fares**

*<http://www.air-fare.com>*

This site will help you find cruise and air fares throughout major destinations in the U.S. and Canada. Click on a city and find the lowest published airfares between cities.

## **American Express Travel**

*<http://www.americanexpress.com/travelservices>*

American Express offers air, car, and hotel reservation resources for the corporate business traveler and personal travel alike. There are some added travel resources here as well.

## **4 Airlines Tickets**

*<http://www.4airlines.com>*

Find discount airline tickets, car rental, cruises, and hotel accommodations at this one stop ticket source.

## **AirTreks.com**

*<http://www.airtreks.com>*

Specializing in international travel, AirTreks offers excellent prices on traveling around the world. The unique Trip Planner enables you to create a customized itinerary and receive prices on the spot.