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## Roots of Gold Wednesday, September 1, 2010

The Official Cast & Crew Newsletter for "THE GOLDEN TREE"

### FINISHED and ready for submitting

#### I have a 9:30 am appointment at Access Sacramento on Friday to print to tape PRINT TO TAPE

PRINT TO TAPE is the technical term for taking a video off a computer and putting it onto video tape.

Access Sacramento does not want it turned in as a .mov, .wmv, .avi, or on DVD — the most simplest and easiest way for us indies to submit — they want us to submit it on tape: HDV (miniDV) tape that is — one of the earliest forms of submitting, transferring, and broadcasting video — and it's easy to do, if you have a tape deck — that is quite pricey - or a camera that records onto MINI HDV tape - neither of which I have, which is why I am going to Access Sacramento with my portable - of sorts - system to Print To Tape.

- I am happy with the look, feel, and pacing of the movie for the most part there is one area I cannot do anything to it and it bugs me\*.
- I truly hope I gave everyone ample time on screen it was not my goal at first, but with such great performances, looks, and characters I felt the urge to give more screen time to those that I was going to — which means some of the normal time for others has been cut, but you wouldn't know it because the story is still in tact — I just hope everyone is happy with it.

\*Just one more take, a different angle: close up, wide, more than one actor in the shot; better lighting, better direction, more time to go over the story — which is one thing that I am truly miffed that I did not do; I did not have a table read or two so everyone could have a better understanding of the story [truly a must on any production and I said to myself we can do it without it - and we almost did it.

But all in all, the actors, performances, technical side, and helpers were truly amazing, underpaid, and respected... We did good, I just know in my heart I could have made it better for all; and I am truly sorry for some possibilities that we missed together. But now I said my peace and being an editor I can make an epic out of a home movie, so imagine what I can do with this...just wish I had my head on straight to make it one level higher.

#### TRAILERS, PREVIEWS, and REELS

Been working late — or early mornings; however you want to call it — on finishing the look, the sound, and trailer's for THE GOLdEN TREE to share with you, but I then realized something: If I show you everything then there's nothing new to see on the DVD, so I am saving the trailer's for the dvd except for one — and you get to choose the one by voting in a poll. THE POLL IS ONLY OPEN FOR A WEEK or TWO, so no later than September 18.

- Family Tree
- What Movie?
- EPIC Cast
- 151 Years
- Outlaws & Miners
- The Journal
- A bit o fun

You do not need a facebook account to view the trailers http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Golden-Tree/118070761560351?v=app\_2392950137; I am working on putting them on the website for the non facebook users.

# WORLD PREMEIR (ha) CALIFORNIA PREMEIR .... (hmmm) [better make that] SACRAMENTO PREMEIR.

One to put on the calendar, if you have not done so already — and trust me you better have — is the big screen showing of THE GOLdEN TREE and 9 other movies for Access Sacramento's "A Place Called Sacramento."

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 2010 1:00 pm - 4 or later CREST THEATER in Sacramento

I have been sent an email that states:

The Board is planning and after film event at a downtown location immediately following the film from about 4-7 PM. It will have some treats to eat and a no-host bar. We are kicking off out 25th anniversary party and you and your friends are invited.

Each filmmaker will receive five (5) VIP passes. Additional tickets will be \$10 each for all seats (no reserved seating). They will be on sale online during the first week of September.

So I am taking this as the party afterward is part of the paid ticket and therefore we can still mingle and take pictures — of course I charge \$1 per to have one taken with me which is why you don't see to many of me in our family album and it's a good way to keep my mug behind the camera.

So come on down and not just to support THE GOLdEN TREE but the other 9 movies, as well as, ACCESS SACRAMENTO!!

SPREED THE WORD

and DRESS ACCORDINGLY!!!

### Web sites to remember, visit, and share.

If you have not visited you should, if you have not "liked" than you should, all of these links has all the information you need on them.

- http://www.thegoldentree.ariapictures.com Official website of movie with productions stills on main page.
- http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Golden-Tree/118070761560351 Official Facebook page of movie and BTS images [facebook account is NOT required to view the page]

- PEACE and God Bless

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winning selection of Access Sacramento's "A Place Called Sacramento 2010"