Stewart scores an ace with 'A Tribute to Golf'

BY PETER BLAIS

You've got to make room on the coffee table for this one.

"A Tribute to Golf" makes you reflect, makes you appreciate, makes you laugh. And more importantly, at least in the world of Fernando's coffee-table literature, 'It looks mahvelus.'

A colorful Mark King illustration of the 11th hole at Augusta National graces the jacket of Tom Stewart's 240-page collection of art, photography and literature celebrating the game of golf.

Inside are hundreds of like illustrations and photographs that will keep fond memories of the game burning bright even while winter snows are piling up outside the windows of northern duffers.

The art and photography alone justify the \$59.95 price tag, making the literary efforts a sort of free dessert. And the pastry cart is loaded with a variety of delectable goodies.

Among my favorites are "The Story of a Tee-Club" by Blackheath Club poet-laureate Thomas March; "The Sole of Golf" by P.A. Vaile; "Zen Golf" by Gordon Weaver; "The Drama of Golf" by Arnold Haultain; "The Happy Hacker" by Jim Bishop; "Out of the Depths" by Tom Morrissey; and the poem "A Golfer's Wish" by Edgar A. Guest.

Even a literary boor like myself, who enjoys poetry as much as rust on my Toyota, can appreciate Guest's closing lines:

> But everygolfing fiend will know Why gold and fame I'd sacrifice If but some fairy, good, would

> Me how to drive without a slice

Tree support discussed in Duckbill book

Anew specification brochure for Duckbill Professional Tree Supports has been produced by Foresight Products.

The four-page booklet contains complete detailed drawings and specifications of components for all Duckbill Tree Support models, which are used to support trees up to 10-inch caliper and larger.

Landscape architects will be able to transfer drawings and specs directly from the new brochure to their own planting details.

The Duckbill Professional Tree Guying kits include three pre-assembled guy lines, each consisting of a Duckbill anchor, galvanized steel cable turnbuckle, tree collar and all necessary hardware.

Duckbill models have holding capacities from 300 to 5,000 pounds.

One kit secures one tree, and no rods or stakes remain above ground to injure people or damage equipment.

The average time required to guy one tree with three anchors is five to 10 minutes.

For further information call or write Foresight Products Inc., 6340 East 49th Drive, Commerce City, Colo. 80022; 800-325-5360 or 303-286-8955. Circle No. 253

Stewart is a member of the PGA and a professional golfer who has competed, taught and written about the game throughout the world. His knowledge and love of the game comes through in this collection, of which Arnold Palmer

writes in the introduction:

"It is a wonderful and whimsical recollection of mentors and moments., hushed at one turn and hilarious at the next.

"It is a multi-faceted book about a many-faceted game. It is, above all, blatantly and honestly, a labor of love.

"A Tribute to Golf' is available by calling 1-800-338-8211.

It won't make you a more skilled player, a more capable superintendent or a better architect. It will enhance your appreciation of the sheer beauty of the best of games.

Which should appeal to Fernando. But while the Latin interrogator may have believed it's more important for a book to make you look good than to feel good, "A Tribute to Golf" does both.

NEW LITERATURE

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A full-color, 160-page guide to Florida's major golf-oriented resorts and best golf courses has been published by Sentinel Books.

Travel and golf writer Edward Schmidt Jr.'s book targets avid and casual golfers, non-golfing spouses, meeting planners, executives and others looking for information about the state's best resorts and golf courses.

Each of the 40 resort reviews includes a four-color photo layout, a schematic of the signature course and a detailed information box.

Florida Golf Getaways is available in retail and wholesale outlets for \$19.95 or mail \$23.50 (includes tax and postage) to:

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