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10 SHOW YOUR COLORS WITH TURF PAINT
Turf painting has spread from professional sports to local high schools, parks, and universities across the country. With a basic knowledge of paints and sprayers, the turf manager can dazzle players and fans during major events. “It’s one of the few chances a grounds crew has to show off,” explains the superintendent of buildings and grounds at a school district in Pennsylvania. A park superintendent tells how field painting makes one of his parks a showplace for residents and a minor league baseball team. Vince Patterozzi, head groundskeeper for Central Missouri State University, describes how field painting and better turf management are used by Servicemaster to impress its customers. Finally, golf course superintendents tell about their use of paints to mask dormancy, prepare for winter tournaments, and control traffic.

22 OVERSEEDING: THE EXPANDING ROLE OF SEASONAL TURFGRASSES
As improved turfgrasses enter the market each year, many golf course superintendents and sports turf managers put them to work either by overseeding or interseeding. They allow turf managers to increase the natural defenses of a turf area by adding varieties better adapted to seasonal weather or use levels. The addition of seasonal grasses to the turf manager’s list of responsibilities requires an expanded knowledge of their characteristics and maintenance levels.

30 PARK MAINTENANCE MANAGERS GO BACK TO SCHOOL
The National Recreation and Parks Association and the Park Operations Section of the California Parks and Recreation Society have joined forces to create a two-year maintenance school. The Pacific Southwest Maintenance Management School has made a difference in the professional lives of its graduates by increasing their knowledge of park maintenance and giving them an opportunity to share insights with fellow park superintendents.

COVER: Vernon Kennedy Stadium at Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg during Homecoming 1989.