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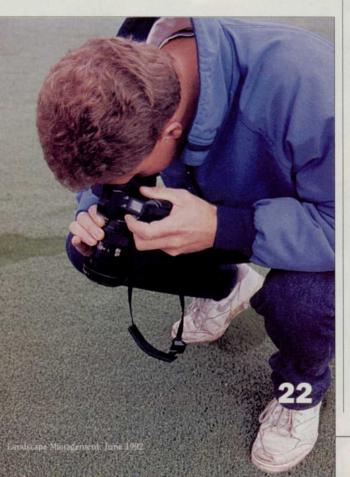
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The 'Decade of the Environment' is prompting many landscape managers—particularly golf course superintendents—to evaluate (or re-evaluate) their impact on the environment. *Jerry Roche*

15 LM Reports: Chippers/shredders

Chippers and shredders—from compact homeowner to commercially rugged pull-behind models—allow landscapers and golf course superintendents to recycle landscape debris, often on-site. They also offer landscapers another add-on service sales opportunity. *Jerry Roche*



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Pictures are a good way to document your progress on a new project, or to help you climb the career ladder.

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Ken Mrock



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Match nutrient applications to the plant's growth: more fertilizer in the fall and spring. But it's important to maintain some growth during the summer. *David Wehner, Ph.D.*

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Van Zelst Landscaping turned preservation of a wetland area into a national news event when dinosaur bones were found in an excavation this spring.

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The debate continues over whether do-it-yourselfers should have to post lawn chemical applications, just like professionals must, by law.

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