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Industry Remembers Pioneer Jules Field

By Rebecca Robledo Jules Field, *Pool & Spa News'* former owner and publisher, died Feb. 9 of pneumonia in Laguna Hills, Calif. He was 92.

Field purchased the magazine, then called *Pool News*, in 1961, shortly after its inception. He was publisher until June 2001, when his company, Leisure Publications, sold *Pool & Spa News* to Hanley Wood.

"Jules was an incredible person who cared about his magazines long after they were sold. While highly knowledgeable about the pool and spa industry, he was also a publishing expert who built his magazines into dominant national brands. All of us at Hanley Wood will certainly miss him," said Dick Coleman, publisher of *Pool & Spa News* and *Aquatics International*.

Cited by many as a pioneer, Field was known for his deep commitment to the industry.

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Entrapment Language Kept in IRC

By Rebecca Robledo In the first of two hearings this year, the International Code Council refused to change the entrapment-prevention language in the model codes it produces.

Current codes require a safety vacuum release system, atmospheric vent or gravity drain system on all new pools.

At a Feb. 21 meeting, an ICC committee decided to continue requiring these devices on new residential pools. A few days later, another committee retained the language for commercial installations.

The committees encouraged industry opponents to

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