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• **Reinforced Concrete**, Jan. 27, by Peter Somers
• **Precast Concrete**, Mar. 17, by SK Ghosh
• **Structural Steel**, Apr. 21, presented by Rafael Sabelli
• **Composite Steel and Concrete**, May 26, by Bob Pekelnicky
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He is a fellow of ASCE, SEI, the American Concrete Institute (ACI), Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) and the Institution of Engineers (India). He is a member of ACI Committee 318: Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and the ASCE 7 Standard Committee. Dr. Ghosh has served on the Boards of the BSSC, ACI and the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI). In 2004, PCI named him one of 50 “Titans” of the U.S. Precast/Prestressed Concrete Industry. In 2013, ASCE awarded Ghosh the Walter P. Moore, Jr. Award for his contributions towards improving the consistency, accuracy and clarity of structural codes and standards throughout the United States and abroad. He was recently elected an ACI honorary member.