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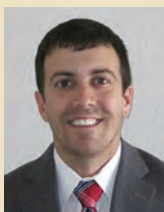
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## CONCRETE CALENDAR 2017

For links to websites, email addresses, or telephone numbers for these events, go to [www.aspirebridge.org](http://www.aspirebridge.org) and select "EVENTS."

**April 4, 2017**

**Why UHPC for Prefabricated Bridge Element Connections? Webinar**

Register at <http://tinyurl.com/j2hqu7a>

**April 26–28, 2017**

**PTI Level 1 & 2 Bonded PT Field Specialist Training and Certification**

Norfolk, Va.

**April 30–May 3, 2017**

**PTI Convention 2017**

Hyatt Regency Atlanta  
Atlanta, Ga.

**May 9, 2017**

**Structural Design, Detailing, and Specifying UHPC for Prefabricated Bridge Element Connections (PBEC) Webinar**

Register at <http://tinyurl.com/j2hqu7a>

**May 9–10, 2017**

**FDOT, ASBI, and PTI sponsored Flexible Filler Certification Training**

Tallahassee, Fla.

**June 4–8, 2017**

**International Bridge Conference**

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center  
National Harbor, Md.

**June 6, 2017**

**Construction, Inspection and Quality Assurance of UHPC Connections Webinar**

Register at <http://tinyurl.com/j2hqu7a>

**June 11–15, 2017**

**AASHTO Subcommittee on Bridges and Structures Annual Meeting**

The Davenport Grand  
Spokane, Wash.

**June 12–14, 2017**

**fib Symposium 2017**

Maastricht, The Netherlands

**July 11, 2017**

**UHPC Implementation Stories Webinar**

Register at <http://tinyurl.com/j2hqu7a>

**August 6–10, 2017**

**AASHTO Subcommittee on Materials Annual Meeting**

Sheraton Grand Phoenix  
Phoenix, Ariz.

**August 21–22, 2017**

**2017 New York City Bridge Conference**

Marriott New York East Side  
New York City, N.Y.

**August 29–30, 2017**

**PCA Fall Congress**

InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile  
Chicago, Ill.

**September 6–8, 2017**

**2017 Western Bridge Engineers' Seminar**

Portland Marriott Waterfront  
Portland, Ore.

**October 2–4, 2017**

**3rd International Symposium on Ultra-High Performance Fibre-Reinforced Concrete**

Montpellier, France

**October 4–6, 2017**

**2017 PTI Committee Days**

CasaMagna Marriott Cancun Resort  
Cancun, Mexico

**October 4–7, 2017**

**PCI Committee Days 2017**

Loews Chicago O'Hare  
Rosemont, Ill.

*On page 12 of the Winter 2017 issue of ASPIRE, we incorrectly listed the pier replacement design engineer for the Long Key Bridge Pier Replacement. The correct firm is URS (AECOM). We regret this error.*

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

ASPIRE is really good. I think I have every single e-version on my laptop. I am constantly telling our folks, "Let's be proud of our accomplishments, big and small, and get our finished work products presented/published."

Dan Shiosaka