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He has written many articles and papers for both technical and popular media, covering a variety of subjects including building safety, blast protection, and the NY World Trade Center attacks. He was a member of the ASCE/FEMA World Trade Center Building Performance Assessment Team in 2001-2002. He is currently serving on the NFPA High-rise Building Safety Advisory Committee, and participated in national workshops on progressive collapse in Chicago in 2002 and 2006, and fire protection workshops in 2003, 2004, and 2005.

Jon served four years on the Structural Engineering Institute Board of Governors. He was recently named the "Engineer of the Year" for the State of Washington, as a Lifetime Honorary Member of the National American Institute of Architects, a Fellow of the Institution of Structural Engineers in London, and was awarded the ASCE Ernest E. Howard Award for contributions to the advancement of structural engineering.