Perhaps even more dramatic. In addition director of research). president of AISC) and Tom Schlafly (our AISC, including Charlie Carter (who is now whole series of new hires helped revitalize Ratterman. And shortly after I started, a on. We had a new legal counsel, David the National Steel Bridge Alliance) signed before I started, Bill McEleney (who would before me, took a few years off and is Duncan joined AISC a couple of years who helped to reshape the Institute. Cindi I was part of a vanguard of fresh employees people annually. Today, we’ve created a robust online continuing education presence with an annual audience of around 20,000 people. And those 5,000 people we used to see in person at seminars? We now see them at a single unified event (NASCC: The Steel Conference) and at a select number of in-person seminars.

But even more importantly, Nancy was the creator and the driving force behind AISC’s Night School program. These web-based programs offer a series of seminars on a single topic (our fall program, for example, focused on the fundamentals of connection design). Each topic typically features seven lectures and provides a much more in-depth continuing education experience than a typical seminar.

But Nancy’s contributions weren’t just limited to continuing education. She was also instrumental in working with students and faculty to improve the state of steel education. She developed and provided meaningful assistance to professors through new teaching resources, grew the ACSA/ AISC Steel Design Student Competition and built a model program for connecting professors and students with working professionals at The Steel Conference.

And she was successful at developing a great staff, so the changing the guard includes promoting Christina Harber to director of education.

I hope all of you have the opportunity to meet these new leaders. Please stop by AISC’s booth at NASCC: The Steel Conference in Baltimore in April and say hello to both the new and the familiar faces.