

Closure for Transit of Venus



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With the sealing of the [Transit of Venus Time Keg](#), the bulk of my public outreach for this celestial alignment comes to a close. Members of the Great Lakes Planetarium Association (GLPA) added the final messages to future observers before I caulked and bolted the cover and side plug into place. The hospitality suite at the GLPA 2012 Annual Conference was a fitting site for marking the end of a long but enjoyable effort.

Earlier in the conference I presented my [concluding paper and prezi](#), *A Community Celebrates the Transit of Venus*. I invite you to peruse the [prezi](#) in depth to get a sense of how one community embraced the opportunity to promote math and science. An audio recording of that talk is [online](#).

This transitofvenus.org website still needs material on the aftermath of June 5, including images of the 2012 transit of Venus itself and results of scientific inquiries. I hope to add valuable content here in the future, but at a leisurely pace.

In the interim, I will be casually building the website [www.nightwise.org](#), a portal to my other interests and to astronomy in my community.

I thank the many supporters who have encouraged and supported Transit of Venus education and public outreach. In particular I thank my wife Mary, my kids Eric and Sarah, Steven van Roode, Patrick Rumley, and the many parties seen in the [prezi](#). That was fun.



