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## Thank you....

4th Q Flagbearers:

1st: Chloe Murray

2nd: Avery Barnett

3rd: Ana Paula Ibarraran

5th: Caroline Sun

6th: Evans Chun

DM: Jean Lavigne du Cadet

Ambassador: Eva Grau

Attorney General: Alys-sa Gorbaneva

## K109 and Matharchy of 200 Sign Treaty

By Henry Golding

On Thursday, June 22, K109 and the Matharchy of 200 finally signed a treaty of alliance.

The ceremony in room 200 ended an agonizingly long period of courtship, prolonged by red tape in 200 and delays to the creation of 200's new flag, designed by Eva Grau of K109.

The Matharchy still does not have a consti-

tution, but that did not seem to faze Mr. Huang.

"I know Ms. Godwin, the Goddess of 200 very well," said Mr. Huang. "I know the mission of 200 as well as any future document they come up with. The Kingdom will have no problem supporting the objectives of 200."

After the reading of the treaty, Ms. Godwin

and Mr. Huang signed two copies. Mr. Huang then offered two gifts to Ms. Godwin: a commemorative K109 pencil and a rather loud hand bell.

In 209, one 109 citizen encapsulated the joy over the signing with an illustration on the white board. Inside an infinity symbol, she wrote: "K109 and Matharchy of 200, together forever." Let us hope.

## 109 Citizens Website Launched

By Harry Shum, Jr.

In late 4th quarter, Max Hudson, Jack Overdeck and their minions finally launched the 109 Citizens Website known as "We are the citizens".

The site features 109 news in the 109 Post, a timeline of 109 history, an Ask Gandalf section and the text of an interview with Mr. Huang.

Hudson proudly announced the url during 3rd period while re-

minding his fellow citizens that Mr. Huang had previously ridiculed the perceived ineptitude of Hudson's rival newspaper, The 109 Post.

"I am actually impressed with Max and his minions," said Mr. Huang. "I didn't think they would get it done in time. We shall see how long it lasts."

"Yes, we shall see," replied Hudson and Overdeck in their hearts.

## Grau Shows Off Logic Ability

By Gemma Chan

On June 9, Eva Grau impressed her 1st period fellow citizens with a method of determining truth values without the use of a truth table.

Normally, this wouldn't be front page news, but coupled with Grau's June 9 contribution, citizens now wonder what her intentions really are.

On June 9, Grau asked for an explanation for a homework problem she said she got wrong. Then she realized she had gotten it right after all. Right after that, she did the same thing for another problem only to realize she got that right also.

"She denies it, but it's pretty obvious she just wanted us to know she got them right," said one citizen. "I got them right too, but I didn't announce it."

Grau said it was an honest mistake.

Then, on June 12, Grau insisted on showing 1st period how to find truth values without the use of a truth table.

"This was useful," said Mr. Huang. "It was useful in that some people learned that you don't always need the table. It was also useful in that Eva showed that she is logical after all. Some people don't think she is."

## Kan Judges Huan

By Nick Santos

On June 9, Christopher Kan of 6th period was looking for a "bland" fellow citizen, and he believed he found one in Stephen Huan.

When the guessing game began, he tried to identify who would have written "Fairfax P.6" in the county blank on the latest test.

"Hmm, Fairfax P.6, let's see, who is bland and doesn't seek attention," Kan said as he scanned the people behind him. "Stephen."

Huan made no comment, but others did later.

"I'm bland too," said one citizen. "I am extremely bland. I'm so bland, I sometimes pour salt on my head. I don't know why he picked Stephen."

"Stephen isn't bland," said another citizen. "He knows derivatives really well. Plus, he speaks Chinese in class to people who don't speak Chinese. That isn't bland. It may be pointless, but it isn't bland."

## Text of treaty with Matharchy of 200

The heads of state of The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby declare formal diplomatic relations for the purposes of mutual protection, cooperation and celebration. This alliance is binding on every citizen, present and future, and every head of state, present and future, of said two nations until this document is superseded by another of the same type signed by the heads of state of said two nations (or until the world ends by some apocalyptic event).

1. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to come to the defense of the other nation when invaded by a foreign power.
2. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to establish free trade for the betterment of said two nations.
3. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to come together for celebration from time to time.
4. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to preserve and protect the mission of the teaching of traditional mathematics.

## Qi Holds Off Gorbaneva to Win Cup

By Debbie Reynolds, R.N.

Alyssa Gorbaneva had her chances during 4th quarter, but in the end, Jeanie Qi's lead was too big to overcome.

Qi tied Jennifer Ho's total of 17 perfects from last year to score the most perfects SD since Adam Ardeishar's 21 in 2014.

Gorbaneva did outscore Qi in the 4th quarter 3-1 (three perfects was tops in 4th quarter), but she had to overcome a four-perfect deficit just to tie Qi. Gorbaneva admitted that half-way through the 4th quarter, she knew she couldn't win.

Alison Wan, Halasya Malladi

and Eric Deeken all tied for 3rd place with 11 perfects.

After 2nd quarter, Mr. Huang did feel that the record was in jeopardy, but after Qi's lackluster performance in 3rd quarter, his feelings changed.

"If it weren't for that 3rd quarter, Jeanie had a real shot," said Mr. Huang. "Even though mathematically, she had a change in 4th quarter, the 4th quarter skill drills questions seem to get to you. The kill drills and the pressure of 4th quarter and possibly attaining the record get to everybody."

## Skill Drills Standings (after SD #26)

- 17: Jeanie Qi
- 15: Alyssa Gorbaneva
- 11: Alison Wan, Halasya Malladi, Eric Deeken
- 10: Youngmin Kwon, Alan Vladimiroff
- 9: Derek Liu
- 8: Rohan Damani, Rachel Trainer, Ella Park
- 7: Daniel Leverett, Sarina Saran, Maxx Yang
- 6: Zach Paikin, Benoy Sen, Jeongwoo Yoo, Sanne Wu, Brian Lai
- 5: Winston Chin, Rebecca Zhang
- 4: Emilie Kim, Valerie Li, Audrey Yin, Zak Scavotto
- 3: Nathan Cao, Abi Sastry, Avery Barnett, Dermot Molony, Mike Husk
- 2: Matthew Xue, Sean Choi, Kevin Fan, Kacy Lee, Mallika Dandamundi, Saahir Rattani, William Heilbraun, Stefan Van Biljon, Nika Jorbenadze
- 1: Toby Schultz, Andrew Greenberg, Colin Wang, Hanna Boughanem, Jessica Feng, Hyun Jin Shin, Nicole Chan, Max Hudson, Isabella Tian, Anjali Kesari, Blaire Zhao, Clara Hyun, Rachel Silverman, Daniel House, Andrew Evans, Kelvin Yuan, Varun Veluri

## The 2017 109 Awards Winners

### Best Explainer

- 1st: Abi Sastry
- 2nd: Hanna Boughanem
- 3rd: Alyssa Gorbaneva
- 5th: Edwin Lu
- 6th: Reevu Adakroy

- 3rd: Varun Veluri
- 5th: Eric Kim
- 6th: Charlie Wu

### Best Penmanship

- 1st: Audrey Yin
- 2nd: Hanna Boughanem
- 3rd: Ana Paula Ibarraran
- 5th: Sarah Zhang
- 6th: Tammy Ding

### Most Improved

- 1st: Chloe Murray
- 2nd: William Heilbraun
- 3rd: Lola Otiz Neidhart

### Biggest Mouth

- 1st: Toby Schultz
- 2nd: Sean Choi

### Best Student

- 1st: Eric Deeken
- 2nd: Halasya Malladi
- 3rd: Dermot Molony
- 5th: Eleanor Richard
- 6th: Otto Janke

Ask Arvid \_\_\_\_\_

Answers to Questions in an Ever-Changing World \_\_\_\_\_

**Dear Arvid:**

I didn't win a 109 Award. What does this mean?

**Dear Non-Winner:**

It means you have talents that are not recognized by the 109 Awards. There are tons of award shows. Go for one of those.

**Dear Arvid:**

When the bell rings, is that the beginning of passing time or the end of the previous period? Can the ringing of a bell mean two things at once?

**Dear Over-Thinker:**

What an interesting question! I have no idea.

**Dear Arvid:**

Is my citizenship over on June 23?

**Dear Mistaken:**

No, you are a citizen for life. You are a large potato for life. By law, Mr. Huang must defend you.