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> In article
> <13792518.1120187897050.JavaMail.jakarta@xxxxxxxxxxxx>
> forum.org>,
> OnlyRH <erdosfanjp@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:
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> >I feel that any math professor is a math prodigy.
> But I hope it's not
> >the reality.
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> Look, since it's just the two of us talking here,
> I'll let you in on
> a little secret: math professors are by and large
> just people who liked
> math and were pretty good at it and were willing to
> work hard for a long
> time. They don't, typically, leap over tall
> conjectures with a single bound.
> But don't tell anyone else, OK?

I won't. But I am a bit relieved by reading this comment. I am not sure about the second condition, but I am confident on the rest.

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> >At what age did you get your idea published for the
> first time? Do
> >most professors publish their results after their
> graduate theses?
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> It's getting to be uncommon to see brand-new PhD's
> applying for
> academic jobs without a publication or two. That is,
> if you're
> publishing your first ideas *_after_* your thesis, it
> may be because
> you're not interested in the typical research-based
> appointment.
> That's probably not the way the world should work,

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> but like
> they say, reality bites.
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> dave

But as for publication, certainly I will have to wait.

Thanks. It is good to reassure what I believe.

OnlyRH

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◇ *From:* Dave Rusin

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