1014-D1-1493 S. Rosenberg* (sr@math.bu.edu), Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics, Boston University, Boston, MA 02215, and M. Spillane and D. Wulf. Fostering Mathematical Research by Teachers.

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