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La Roche alum Thomas White has established himself as a historian, professor and author.

White is an archivist and curator of special collections at Duquesne University, where he also works as an adjunct professor. For nearly 15 years, White has chronicled and preserved Pennsylvania’s folklore, legends and obscure history. He has written seven books on the legends and history of this state: “Legends and Lore of Western Pennsylvania,” “Forgotten Tales of Pittsburgh,” “Ghosts of Southwestern Pennsylvania,” “Forgotten Tales of Pennsylvania,” “Gangs and Outlaws of Western Pennsylvania” (co-authored with Michael Hassett) and “Forgotten Tales of Philadelphia” (co-authored with Edward White).

At La Roche, where he now teaches as an adjunct professor, White said he always enjoyed Dr. Ed Brett’s history classes. “He and the other professors always made time for students, and they were real mentors,” he added. “I think that the authentic desire to help students succeed is one of the things that sets La Roche apart from many other places.”