

**FRAUHM Noon Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 8, 2019**  
**Campus Center Room 203E**



**More than a lexicon:**  
**Uncovering evidence of the events of the Rosetta Stone**

Dr. Silverstein, an anthropological archaeologist (PhD Penn State) with extensive international experience, searches for missing military personnel from past wars while holding adjunct positions in Classics and Anthropology at the University of Hawaii. He has this to say about today's topic:

The Rosetta Stone is one of the most famous inscriptions in the world, yet few could actually tell you about its context. The topics on the stone relate to the reign of Ptolemy V and provide critical insight into the nature of Hellenism, imperial structure, indigenous relations, ideological assimilation, and process and consequences of the Great Rebellion of 204-185 BCE against Macedonian rule. While textual references to the rebellion abound there have been few archaeological correlates. At Tell Timai (ancient Thmuis) we have evidence suggesting that the violence of the Great Rebellion had profound repercussions shaping the local and long-term nature of Greek imperial strategy. Archaeological data suggest that Thmuis, a tributary town of the adjacent regional capital of Mendes, was subject to significant violence during the period of the Great Rebellion. In the aftermath of the violence there was a period of rebuilding and the usurpation of the political and economic dominance of Mendes resulting in the shift of the monarchy from Mendes to Thmuis and a transition of the primary administrative organization from the theocratic temple complex to a Greek polis.

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Our room door opens at 11:30, giving us up to an hour to talk story and enjoy lunch--buy or bring your own--with colleagues before the meeting begins, often with official notices followed by the introduction of the speaker.

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