

# **Women Serving Women and Children in Combat Zones**

**Come Meet and Greet the Ladies who have “been there, done that.”**

**With Sgt. Maj. Robin Fortner from Camp Johnson**

**SUMW General Meeting: March 22, 2017 7PM Fellowship Hall**

## **INTEGRATED TASK FORCE**



The Defense Secretary opened all combat jobs in the U.S. military to women in 2015. The Integrated Task Force completed an assessment of the transition of women into combat operations previously restricted to males.

Holding flag: Sgt Maj Robin Fortner and Col. Matthew Sinclair

## **FEMALE ENGAGEMENT TEAMS**

U.S. Marine Lance Corporal Riane Donoho interacts with children waiting to be seen at a village outreach program that provides care for minor injuries, illness, and hygiene care in her area of operation, Boldak, Afghanistan, November 22, 2010.



**Women have served alongside infantry units since 2005 in Iraq’s Lioness Teams and Afghanistan’s Female Engagement Teams. These teams conduct outreach, primarily through interaction with women and children in combat zones, to learn about the local population. They help implement community development programs that serve the specific needs of their assigned areas and communication information to women without violating the local cultural standards.**