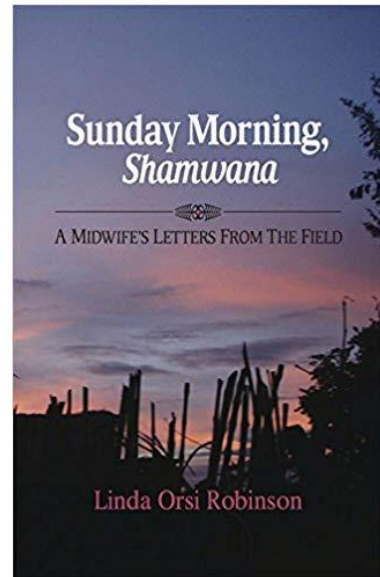


Join us on **Friday, November 8, 2019 during 3rd Block** (12noon to 1pm) as **Linda Orsi Robinson** talks about the **Impacts of War on Women**.

Author and midwife, **Linda Orsi Robinson** will be giving insight to Women in War through her book, ***Sunday Morning, Shamwana - A Midwife's Letter from the Field***. In areas of war and conflict, women suffer disproportionately to men. They are often used as weapons of war with rape and murder of their children. Many of these rapes result in injury and pregnancy which makes midwifery care for these women is essential. In many areas of conflict there are no trained personnel to care for women and their trauma is exacerbated. When your life's work is focused on providing the best possible healthcare for women and children, how might you react to being placed in a country where war has raged for decades? And having lived within such a community how do you return to a former way of life?



Linda Robinson, a nurse-midwife, spent 2007-08 working in the Democratic Republic of Congo with Doctors Without Borders. She will share insights about foreign aid and foreign policy, how our actions contribute to the world stage, and how women and children are affected differently from men. Her presentation will include a brief history of what led to the conflict, efforts to bring medical care to affected people, and what the experience meant to a humanitarian worker. Her letters home each Sunday morning, written to make sense of the overwhelming challenges she was facing, provide a loving picture of the people who both inspired and depended on her.

Her book, ***Sunday Morning, Shamwana: A Midwife's Letters from the Field***, was written from a compilation of these letters. It provided an eye opening account of the day-to-day reality of a fieldworker in the African bush, and the trials and triumphs of working with an international organization.