

# Political Prisoner Birthdays **October**

October 3rd, 1988

**Skelly Stafford** #57976-060  
USP McCreary  
Post Office Box 3000  
Pine Knot, KY 42635  
cleveland4solidarity.org

Skelly and four others were arrested on May 1st, 2012 and accused of plotting a series of bombings, including of an area bridge. The FBI, working with an informant, created the scheme, produced the explosives, and coerced them into participating. *Address envelope to Joshua Stafford.*

Send a birthday card to these political prisoners. It's an easy way to help remind these freedom fighters they aren't forgotten. If you make one, remember: don't use anything like white-out, stickers, tape or glitter on it. We also recommend that you put your name and address and their name and prisoner number on the card, lest the authorities 'lose' the envelope and forget where it is going. If you would like to add a birthday or sign up for our poster mailing list, email us at [ppbirthday@riseup.net](mailto:ppbirthday@riseup.net). Brought to you with love by the Prison Books Collective. For a pdf of the poster or news and updates about anti-prison struggles, visit: [prisonbooks.info](http://prisonbooks.info)

October 4th, 1943

**Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin** #99974-555  
USP Tucson  
Post Office Box 24550  
Tucson, AZ 85734  
thejerichomovement.com

Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin, also known as H. Rap Brown, came to prominence in the 1960s as chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and the Justice Minister of the Black Panther Party.

October 6th, 1944

**David Gilbert** 83A6158  
Wende Correctional Facility  
3040 Wende Road  
Alden, New York 14004-1187  
denverabc.wordpress.com

David Gilbert was a founding member of Columbia University SDS and the Weather Underground. David was arrested in October 1981, along with members of the Black Liberation Army and other radicals.

October 6th, 1955

**Michael Davis Africa** #AM4973  
SCI Graterford  
Post Office Box 244  
Graterford, PA 19426  
onomove.com

Michael Davis Africa and Edward Goodman Africa are two of the people who make up the MOVE 9. There are currently seven MOVE activists in prison each serving 100 years after been framed for the murder of a cop in 1979. Merle Africa and Phil Africa died in prison in 1998 and 2015, respectively. MOVE is an eco-revolutionary group dedicated to liberation struggles.

October 31st, 1949

**Edward Goodman Africa** AM4974  
SCI Mahoney  
301 Morea Road  
Frackville, PA 17932  
onomove.com

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October 8th,

**Malik Smith** #16-024  
Saguaro Correctional Center  
1252 East Arica Road  
Eloy, Arizona 85131  
thejerichomovement.com

From 1971 to 1973, there was a rebellion taking place to resist colonial rule in the U.S. occupied Virgin Islands. On September 6th, 1972, eight American tourists were gunned down at the Rockefeller-owned golf course on the island of St. Croix. Colonial authorities picked up over 100 blacks for interrogations, and U.S. colonial troops carried out a series of repressive acts of violence against the black community. 5 known supporters of the Virgin Island independence movement, including Malik, were apprehended and charged with the attack. In 1973 the 5 were sentenced to 8 consecutive life sentences. *Address envelope to Meral Smith.*

October 15th, 1948

**Robert Seth Hayes** #74-A-2280  
Sullivan Correctional Facility  
325 Riverside Drive,  
Post Office Box 116  
Fallsberg, NY 12733-0116  
denverabc.wordpress.com

Robert 'Seth' Hayes is one of the longest-held political prisoners in the U.S. Seth was active in the Black Panther Party and it's community programs in the 1970s. As the BPP faced greater repression, he went underground and formed the Black Liberation Army. In 1973 he was arrested for the death of a NYC transit officer and subsequently charged with eight other crimes. He has worked as a librarian, pre-release advisor and AIDS counselor in prison. He has been denied parole ten times since 1998.

October 15th, 1985

**Jermaine Parker** #1185800  
MECC  
18701 Old Highway 66  
Pacific, MO 63069  
antistatestl.noblogs.org

Jermaine Parker was sentenced to 14 years in 2015 for his participation in a rebellion in Ferguson, MO in November 2014. The rebellion was in response to the Grand Jury's non-indictment of police officer Darren Wilson in the murder of 18 year old Michael Brown. Jermaine was charged with firing a revolver out of a vehicle while being pursued by undercover police officers.

October 18th, 1951

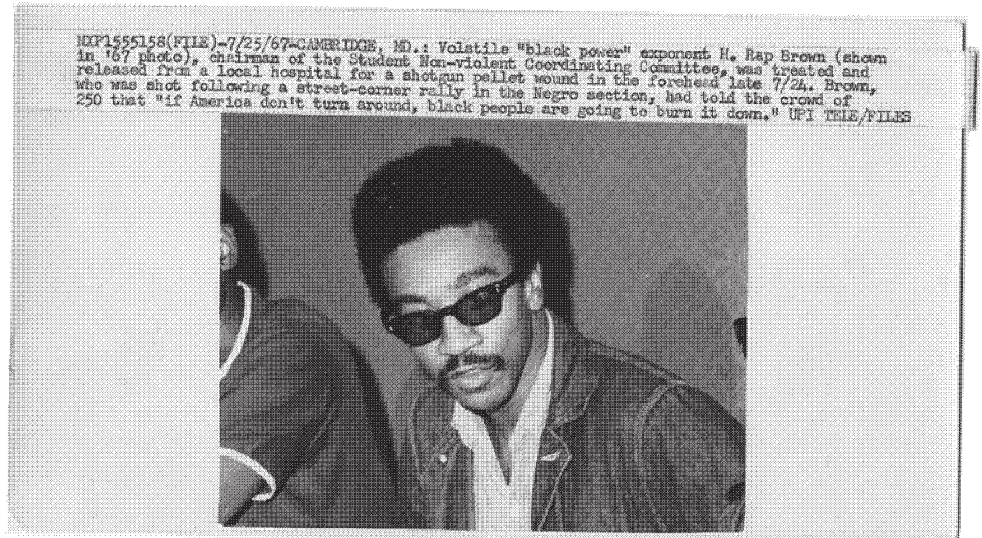
**Jalil Muntaqim** #77-A-4283  
Shawangunk Correctional Facility  
Post Office Box 700  
Wallkill, NY 12589  
freejalil.com

Jalil became affiliated with the Black Panther Party at age 18 in 1969. In 1971 he was captured in a shootout with San Francisco police. He was charged with attempting to assassinate in retaliation for the recent murder of political prisoner George Jackson. Jalil has been organizing in prison for over 30 years. *Address envelope to Anthony Bottom.*

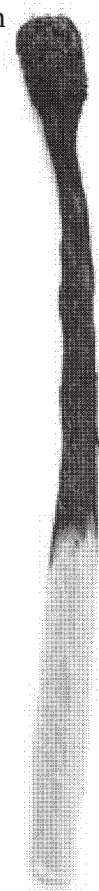
October 27, 1948

**Rev. Edward Pinkney** #294671  
West Shoreline Correctional Facility  
2500 S. Sheridan Drive  
Muskegon Heights, MI 49444  
bhbanco.org

Rev. Edward Pinkney is a community organizer whose work focused around political corruption in Benton Harbor, MI and gentrification engineered by the Whirlpool corporation found him in disfavor with the Mayor. He is imprisoned for infractions in the paperwork on a petition to recall this same Mayor.

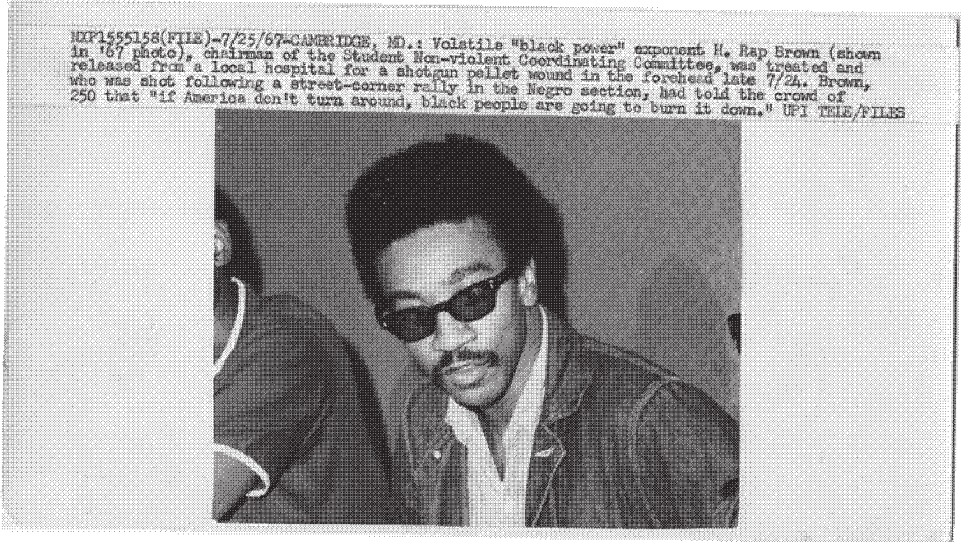


ON RECEIVING NO MAIL  
Being in Jail and Receiving  
NO MAIL  
is like  
Being in Hell and getting  
No water  
But  
Being in Prison and Re-  
ceiving  
NO MAIL  
Is  
Being captured behind  
Enemy lines with  
NO COMMUNICATION!  
Such being the case  
Many of us become  
One-SIDED...  
—Veronza Bowers Jr.  
October 6, 1974  
Atlanta Pen

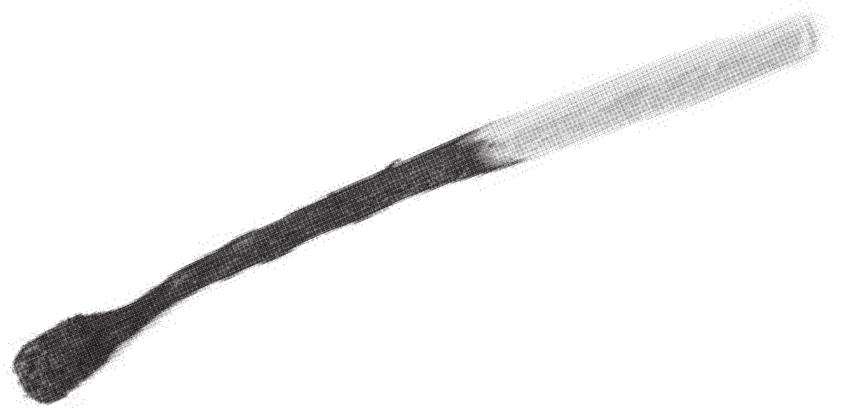




# They are in there for us, we are out here for them:



OCTOBER 3RD, 1988: SKELLY STAFFORD  
OCTOBER 4TH, 1943: JAMIL ABDULLAH AL-AMIN  
OCTOBER 6TH, 1944: DAVID GILBERT  
OCTOBER 6TH, 1955: MICHAEL DAVIS AFRICA  
OCTOBER 8TH, 1950: MALIK SMITH  
OCTOBER 15TH, 1948: ROBERT SETH HAYES  
OCTOBER 15TH, 1985: JERMAINE PARKER  
OCTOBER 18TH, 1951: JALIL MUNTAQIM  
OCTOBER 27, 1948: REV. EDWARD PINKNEY  
OCTOBER 31ST, 1949: EDWARD GOODMAN AFRICA



# Political Prisoner Letter Writing

This October, join others in your  
community to send birthday cards to  
political prisoners to remind them that  
they are not forgotten.

**Time:**

**Date:**

**Location:**

**Sponsoring Organization:**