

POLITICAL PRISONERS' BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

Send a birthday card for these political prisoners. It's an easy way to help remind these freedom fighters that 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, email us at ppbirthday@riseup.net. Brought to you with love by the Chapel Hill Prison Books Collective.

CHUCK SIMS AFRICA
AM4975 / Box 244
Grateford, PA 19426-0244
SCI Grateford
April 7, 1956

JANET HOLLOWAY AFRICA
OO6308 / 451 Fullerton Ave
Cambridge Springs, PA 16403-1238
April 13, 1951

JANINE PHILLIPS AFRICA
OO6309 / 451 Fullerton Ave
Cambridge Springs, PA 16403-1238
April 25, 1956

Chuck, Janet, and Janine Africa are 3 of the people who make up the MOVE 9. There are currently eight MOVE activists in prison each serving 100 years after been framed for the murder of a cop in 1979. The 9th defendant, Merle Africa, died in prison in 1998. MOVE is an eco-revolutionary group dedicated to liberation struggles. www.onamove.com

ROMAINE 'CHIP' FITZGERALD
B-27527 / CSP-CENT
FC-2-110 / Box 921
Imperial, CA 92251
April 11, 1949

Chip was a dedicated Panther, throwing himself into his political work, including the Party's Free Breakfast Program, the tutorial program, selling Panther papers, political education classes and other projects. In 1969 (he was 19) he was convicted and sentenced to death for his participation in a police shoot out. In 1972 California abolished the death penalty and he was resentenced to Life WITH the possibility of parole. But because of his political beliefs he remains in prison while 98% of people on death row in California from 1972 have been released.

MARSHAL EDDIE CONWAY
116469
P.O. Box 534
Jessup, MD 20794
April 23, 1946

Eddie is a Black Panther framed in the murder of a police officer by the FBI's infamous COINTELPRO operations. He has been in prison since 1970. This is part of the forgotten legacy of the civil right's movement.

MUMIA ABU-JAMAL
AM-8335
175 Progress Drive
Waynesburg, PA 15370-8090
April 24, 1954

In 1981 Mumia, former Black Panther and vocal supporter of MOVE, was framed for the murder of a cop. He was originally sentenced to death but is currently awaiting re-sentencing.

