## It's About Time Committee July Update 2013

I know its summer but the struggle for justice and freedom goes on. Gail and I received a phone call from Herman Wallace of the Angola 3 a few days ago. He's dealing with his illness; the prison has downgraded his statue. He's back in population; he's able to go to the excise room. He is being treated much better, since his illness.



Herman Wallace

We have added two DVD's to our website, we're very proud of new additions. Mama C Urban Warrior in the African Bush ran's 54 minutes a very good DVD with a look at the work being done in Tanzania by Pete and Charlotte O'Neal.



The other DVD is an interview by Marvin X with Bobby Seale in 2000.

Marvin and Bobby have known each other for many years, so many of the questions are very good. Bobby deals with the growth and development of his social consciousness, meeting Huey, developing the 10 point program teaching the comrades.



I got a call from Big Man the other day. We talked about current events and the upcoming 47<sup>th</sup> yr BPP History month celebration he is organizing in Santa Rosa. He has the location locked down; Big Man has gotten a hotel near the Arlene Francis Center which is located 99 6<sup>th</sup> ST. Santa Rosa to set a block of rooms aside for the event October 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>.

Big Man is working hard along with other comrades in the Santa Rosa area to make this event happen. I have been to Santa Rosa many times to visit Big Man and his wife Carol. Sonoma County is about 50 miles from SF, it's in the wine country, very beautiful rolling hills and the Russian river is near for swimming and boating. Information will be on our website soon. If you want to contact Big Man his email is <u>bigman0138@aol.com</u> his cell 707-528-3009.



Bobby Bowen was a Panther, friend, and community organizer. He worked in the city of Richmond as a Panther in the 1960's and 70's. Before Bobby died he worked at the Progressive Center as a community organizer. Bobby helped open up three different Panther offices in Richmond. He worked on Bissell St, then they moved to 5<sup>th</sup> and Chesely in North Richmond and the other was a Children development Center also in North Richmond. Bobby helped organize the first Free Breakfast for School Children in Richmond that feed hundreds of children. Bobby also taught at the Liberation School he helped teach Black History classes and taught about current events in community Political education classes. In 1970 he organized a Free Shoe program in North Richmond over 2,500 pairs of shoes were given away.

Bobby will be missed by all whom knew him. Come to the event.



Brother Elder Freeman may be released this Friday(today) after a close call with death. He can now stand and walk; he is feeling good about his situation and still wants to travel to Cuba for treatment. Elder has been in the hospital and treatment center for over two months now, will be glad to see him out of there. Stay strong my brother.

So much info still being developed coming out today and tomorrow. I will add a Part 2 to this update over the weekend. More info from Houston: Carl Hampton event: New Orleans BPP history month event LA BPP History Month event: Update on Political Prisoners Oakland Community School event October 19<sup>th</sup>. More to come

Billy X