

East Texans joined the nation in celebrating the eighty-second birthday of Civil Rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 17, 2011.



L. -R: Miss Roberta Mason, Chairwoman of the Memorial Committee; Speaker Christel Phillips, News Anchor, KTRETV-Channel 9, Lufkin and Daphne Session, Houston County Attorney attend 33rd Commemorative Program at the Crockett Administrative Offices Auditorium on January 16th.



Dr. Ianthia Fisher and 2010-2011 reigning Juneteenth queens for Crockett sit on the front row with attendees who braved several inches of water from the days heavy rain and the floods of the past rainy days to participate in the celebration.

Crockett, Tx.- James Gentry was master of ceremony for the event with a welcome from Lonnie Hunt County Judge. Greetings were given from other Houston County elected officials; Sarah Clark, County Court At Law; Daphne Session, County Attorney; Bridget Lamg, County Clerk; Donna Casper District Attorney. Darius Kitchen introduced speaker Christel Phillips.

Financial contributions to support the program were made by Bethel Baptist Church, Saint Luke Baptist Church, Mrs. Della Newman, New Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Union Prairie Baptist Church, Greater Saint Paul Baptist Church, Progressive Baptist Church, William Chapel Church of the Living God and Dr. Willia Wooten.



Youth from Sweet Union, Kids 'R Us, Bible Way M. B. C. , and Church Hill CME participated in the program. Guest Speaker was Rev. Tracy Clater of New Hope Baptist Church Alto. James Lacy did a rendition of Dr. Kings "I Have A Dream" speech.



Parade participants wait for start time on the Norman Activity Center Parking lot. No one seemed to notice the drizzle of rain as they visited with each other and discussed the planned day's events.