

Artem Alikhanyan 1908 – 2008

On June 24, 2008, Armenia celebrated the 100 year anniversary of one of its most renowned scientists, Artem Alikhanyan. The Yerevan Physics Institute (recently renamed the Alikhanyan Physics Institute) organized a number of events devoted to this anniversary.

On June 24 Alikhanyan's former friends and colleagues paid tribute to their great teacher laying flowers to his grave and monument. After, in the National Academy of Sciences, a memorial session was held devoted to his centenary anniversary.



Figure 1. Session in honour of Artem Alikhanyan in the National Academy of Sciences RA:

In the center President of National Academy of Sciences Radik Martirosyan, to the left-academician Robert Avagyan, to the right-director of Yerevan Physics Institute Hrachia Asatryan

The same day the opening ceremony of memorial plaque was held at 18 Bagramyan street; former headquarters of YerPhI.



Figure 2. The memorial plaque of A. Alikhanyan at 18 Bagramyan street; former headquarters of YerPhI

The last event organized in honor of Alikhanyan was a scientific session devoted to the Alikhanyan's scientific activity held in Nor- Amberd Cosmic ray station. A film devoted to the memory of Alikhanyan was shown at the very beginning of the seminar. During the three hour long seminar guests and former colleagues of Alikhanyan presented reports and related memorable events from Alikhanyan's life. A banquet was prepared for the participants of the seminar at the dining hall of the conference center.



Figure 3. Alikhanyan Memorial Conference, Cosmic Ray Division Nor- Amberd Center



Figure 4.A CRD engineer S.Tserunyan demonstrating the Nor-Amberd Particle Detector at the Nor-Amberd Research Station to (from left to right) Dr.Ivanov, Dr. Akopov, Dr. Chechin from the Russia Lebedev Physical Institute.



Figure 5. February 12, the solemn opening ceremony of A. Alikhanian monument erected by Gevorg Gevorgyan is to be held at the square adjacent to the Yerevan Physics Institute.