**UNA estate is venue for conference of senior sorority of “Spartanky”**

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On Friday and Saturday, September 24-25 the senior Plast sorority of “Spartanky” held their annual conference at Soyuzivka. Over 30 members attended. The start of the conference was a delicious dinner prepared by Chef Andrij Sonevytsky, followed by a talent/hobby night. Who knew that our members had so many varied talents and hobbies? Included were displays/demonstrations of Ukrainian embroidery, pysanky, soaps, cocktails, cookies, house plans, restoration of artwork, jewelry, jokes, singing, piano playing, accordion playing, Pilates and knitting. Saturday began with breakfast and a presentation of slides by Irene Bihun, a member of Spartanky who just returned from spending a year in Ukraine. A walk across the terrain of Soyuzivka followed, lead by Walter Nalywayko, Soyuzivka’s recreation director. It was then time for the formal discussions of plans and projects for the upcoming year. Spartanky take an active part throughout the year in activities planned by Plast Ukrainian Scouting Organization’s branches in New York, and Philadelphia as well as in the towns of Newark and Passaic in New Jersey. Every summer the group runs a weeklong preparatory camp for the youngest plastuny. During the year sorority members plan events and activities for both “novatstvo” and “yunatstvo.” The goal is to continue to organize and lead scouting activities for Plast youths in our various locations.