

Orchid Society of Western Pennsylvania

General Meeting via Zoom

09/20/20

- 1:30pm Tim Choltco presented a wonderful and well received mini-class on Habenaria Orchids.
- 2pm. Co-President Mike Lysy called the meeting to order.
- 2:02pm Treasurer Janet Greenberg gave the treasury report.
- 2:05 Tim Choltco announced that the mini-class for October would be Sheila Nathanson discussing Nobile type Dendrobiums and that November's mini-class will be Mike Lysy discussing Cattleya culture.
- 2:08 Webmaster Jinghua Ou gave an update announcing that the OSWP webpage had been moved to a new company but it would not affect users, just administrators.
- 2:10 Nancy Kline reported nothing new with AOS and reported that OSWP is in communication with Phipps about returning the Society's volunteers to work in the orchid collections but Phipps is still declining to allow volunteers in the conservatory.
- 2:13 POSI chair Demetria Marsh announced that Katie the head orchid grower at Phipps was awaiting recommendations from the team leads of the POSI Phipps inventory project. She also announced that the POSI project with special emphasis on the Barbara Tisherman Slipper Orchid Collection will be featured in articles in the Orchid Digest Winter 2021 issue and also the Slipper Orchid Journal Winter issue.
- 2:20pm Demetria Marsh acknowledged new member Tianying Chen and welcomed him to the Society.
- 2:24 Co-President Sheila Nathanson spoke about the OSWP's recent orchid swap & sale event and said that it was well received and enjoyed. She also suggested that we might consider making it an annual event.
- 2:30 Show & Tell was spectacular as always but a bit different with the zoom meeting. Brooke Decker had compiled photos sent in by members and shared them with those attending!
- 2:45 Kim Feddersen presented a marvelous program entitled Growing Vandaceous Orchids in the Northeast.