

Key West Orchid Society

NEWSLETTER

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**Next meeting Sunday, June 17, 2018 - at the West
Martello Fort. 1pm Pizza starts at 1:30.**

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY

We will celebrate the day by having our annual end-of-season
Pizza Party and installation of the newly elected Board.
Also the usual Door Prize and Show & Tell.

KWOS MEETINGS

June 17 FATHERS' DAY

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the new Board.

July, Aug, Sept. Field trips TBA

FLORIDA ORCHID EVENTS

June 23, 24 **USF Botanical Gardens
Summer Plant Sale** USF Botanical
Gardens 4202 E. Fowler Avenue Tampa

KW GARDEN CLUB meets every
Monday from 9 to noon for potting,
rooting, weeding, etc. & General Fort
cleanup. Drop in & help any time you
have a free Monday morning.

**KW TROPICAL FOREST & BO-
TANICAL GARDEN** volunteers meet
at the nursery every Wednesday & Sat-
urday 9 to 12 for propagation of native
plants & to clean up the 15-acre Garden.
Come in & help any time you can.

If you would like to subscribe to **The
Keys Blast** go to **EK10@AOL.COM**
and ask to be put on the list. Ed Krane
covers our activities & just about every-
thing else that happens in the Keys.

SUMMER MEETINGS

We are looking for people to host the summer meeting field
trips. If you would like to do it call Jay: 305-294-8131, or
email him: jfal@sprynet.com or Reply to this email.

This is a good chance to show others how you grow your
orchids. Also a good time to socialize.

JUNE CULTURE NOTES

According to AOS June is a fine time to repot phals. When new roots
are beginning to show at the base, it's time. Cattleyas also may need
potting, as signaled by deteriorating mix. For further information go
to: [http://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/may-june-
checklist.aspx](http://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/may-june-checklist.aspx)

EDITOR'S NOTE: This will be my last issue of the Newsletter. After
nearly 20 years I am turning the job over to my successor Liza Bray.
You will see some changes; she will do it her way. She is capable &
experienced so I'm certain that she will do a fine job. When I became
Corresponding Secretary all I had to do was send a monthly post-
card reminder to our members. I thought we needed something
more, and so the Newsletter was born. At first it was a single
Xeroxed page sent by snail mail to about 70 members. As our
members and friends got computers and email addresses the News-
letter gradually expanded to include color photos of our orchids.
Now the email list has grown to about 250 and fewer than a dozen
are printed and mailed.

Don't forget to renew your membership.
Form is available at www.keywestorchidsociety.org
The monthly Newsletters are also posted there.



What a glorious collection of orchids for May Show & Tell! Our members are really talented growers.



The excursion to the Redland Orchid Festival was a fun day. Tons of gorgeous orchids to see and buy. Jay Phal & Melissa McDermott each chauffeured a 15-passenger van. Luckily they were only half full on the way up, because they were filled to capacity on the way home. Below is a picture of some of our purchases ready to be loaded. Also an amazing jackfruit tree at the Park. And the breathtaking sunset from the 7-Mile Bridge on the way home. We got to watch it develop for the whole 7 miles.

