

actual use and provide us with your feedback. At the present time the largest percentage of our operating expenses has been the production of the newsletter. We have a very high quality newsletter, one of the best in the state, however this quality comes at a cost. The newsletter, on an annual basis costs about \$8,200 to produce and send and the costs are roughly broken down as printing \$2,000,

## Spring Native Plant Sales

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Saturday, April 26, 2008  
Covey Native Education Center  
471 Spontaneous Lane  
Covey, VA

your printer's bill. We would like to hear your opinion on the person (Dave Hess at [www.covetnative.org](http://www.covetnative.org)) or return via email mail to Dave's home address. Your input will help determine how the board proceeds in the future. Other very important items that were approved included a new dues category, family with a \$25.00 annual membership fee, and an effort to help our brochure. The reason we are updating the brochure is to make it current with the new dues structure, but more importantly to use it as a recruiting tool for new members. We anticipate contacting various other natural history organizations throughout the state and the master gardeners in an effort to strengthen our membership numbers. We are alive this together and we value your input. By the way, have you looked at the website lately? Dave Luskow has done an excellent job updating it