



# Texas Soil Profiles

## 2022 PSSAT Officers

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## Editor's Note

I'd like to acknowledge the invaluable assistance that Jamey Douglass provided in delivering a box full of PSSAT newsletters and an album that contained many photographs taken at meetings from 1991 to 1999. It was hard selecting photos to scan and include in this newsletter. I had taken several photos at meeting in the early 2000s and have included some of them in this issue. I intended to publish this in August, but life got in the way...

I'm in the process of scanning old newsletters and those will be added to the PSSAT website over time. It's a fair amount of work, but the goal is to have an archive of as many newsletters as possible online.

This will be my penultimate newsletter - the last one will be published soon, several weeks before the upcoming annual meeting. In the meantime, I wish you all a **Happy New Year** - hopefully, a much brighter 2023 than the last three years.

## List of PSSAT Presidents

1983	Charles Batte	2003	Maurice Jurena
1984	Dr. Dee Carson	2004	Dr. Ted Zobeck
1985	Ed Janak	2005	Eddie Bearden
1986	Dr. C.T. Hallmark	2006	Dr. David Weindorf
1987	Wayne Gabriel	2007	Kelly Attebury
1988	Gaylon Lane	2008	Nathan Haile
1989	Dr. Clyde Stahnke	2009	Dusten Russell
1990	Stan Hitt	2010	Dr. Cristine Morgan
1991	Kirthell Roberts	2011	John Sackett
1992	Glen Chervenka	2012	Travis Waiser
1993	Dr. Bill Harris	2013	Mittie Muse
1994	Kirby Griffith	2014	Amanda Bragg
1995	Dr. John Jacob	2015	Sidney Paulson
1996	Dr. Richard Griffin	2016	Jacob Eickstead
1997	Wes Miller	2017	Chance Robinson
1998	Mike Risinger	2018	Carlos Villarreal
1999	Jon Wiedenfeld	2019	Dr. Donald McGahan
2000	Dan Kowalski	2020	Laurie Kiniry
2001	Dennis Brezina	2021	Shanna Dunn
2002	Jon Brandt	2022	Jamey Douglass

## PSSAT 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - photos of prior events



Figure 1. Uvalde field trip, February 1991



Figure 2. Uvalde field trip, February 1991

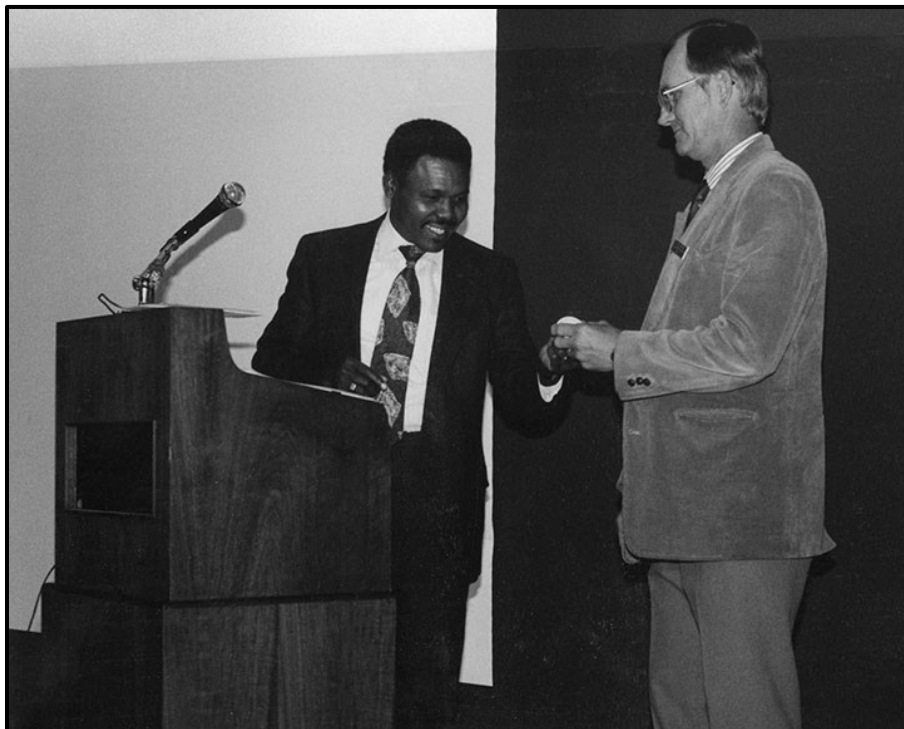


Figure 3. Passing of the gavel from Kirthell Roberts to Glen Chervenka, February 1991

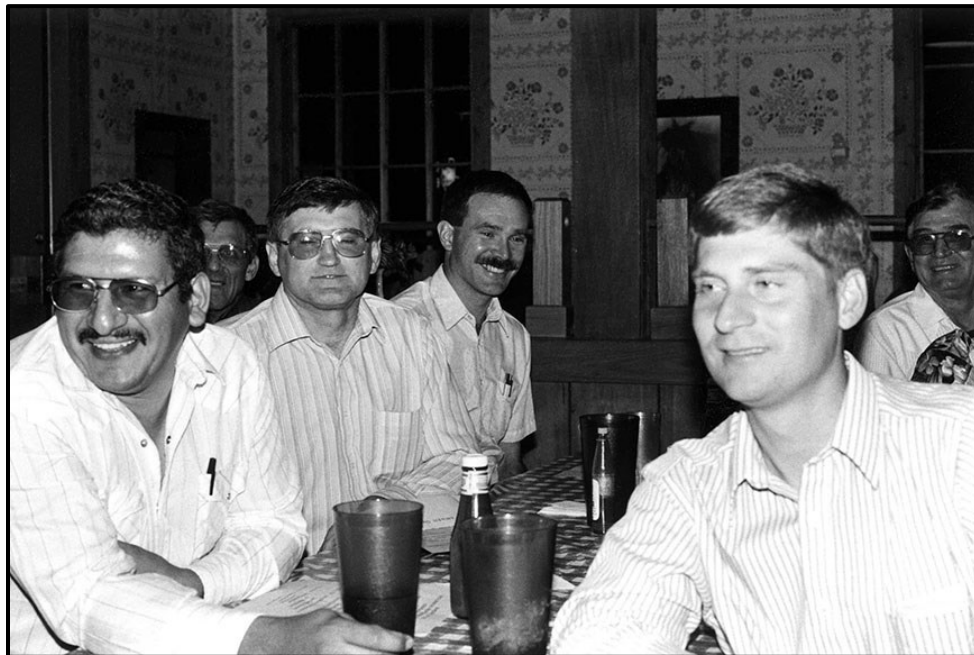


Figure 4. (Clockwise, from left to right - apologies, not everyone is identified): Ramiro Molina, unidentified, Don Sabo, unidentified, Jon Wiedenfeld - February 1991



Figure 5. Foreground only (left to right): Kirthell Roberts; Ed Janak; and Wes Miller - February 1991



Figure 6. New officers in 1991 (left to right): Glen Chervenka, President; Bill Harris, President-Elect; Willie Crenwelge, Vice-President; Don Sabo, Treasurer; and Jamey Douglass, Editor.

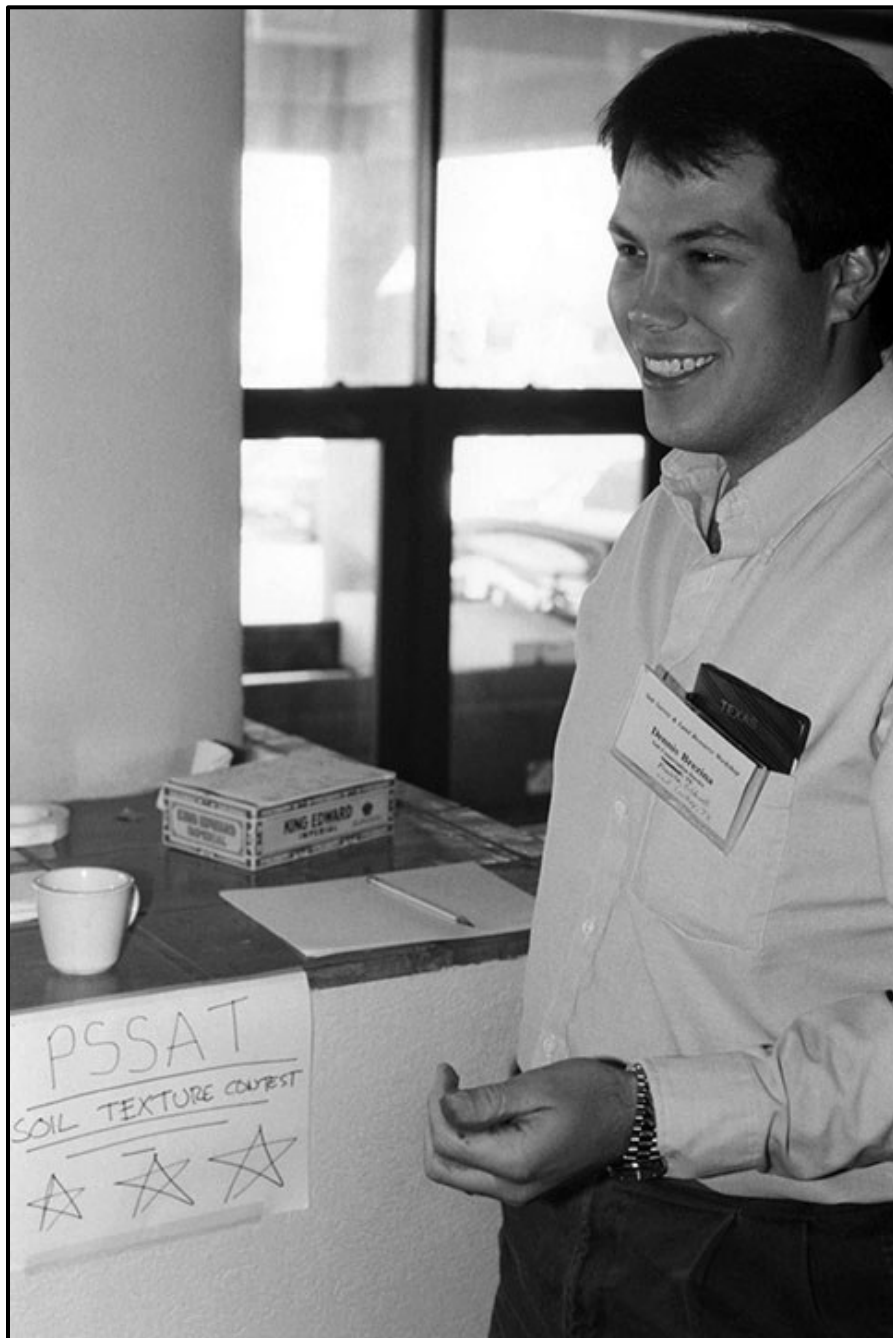


Figure 7. Soil Texture Contest, 1991: Dennis Brezina



Figure 8. Soil Texture Contest - 1991: Lynn Loomis (co-winner); John Jacob (contest administrator); and Conrad Neitsch (co-winner).

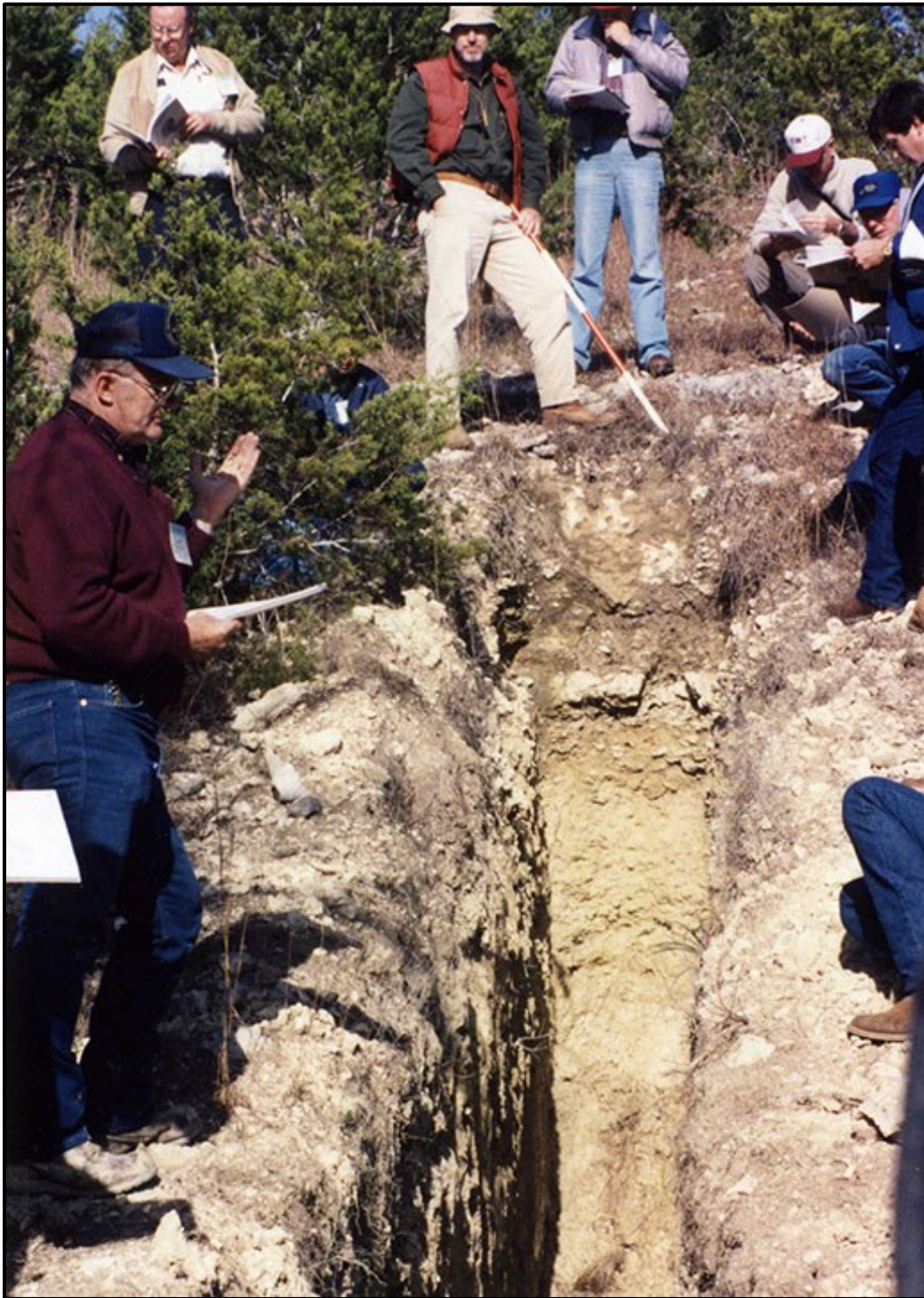


Figure 9. Field Trip to Barton Creek Properties, Austin, January 1993: Dr. Larry Wilding (left, blue cap) and Dr. Chock Woodruff (top, red vest and bucket hat), one of field trip leaders.





Figure 10. Joint meeting with Oklahoma soil scientists; field trip, Fort Belknap, 1994 (left to right) - Dennis Williamson (DW); Conrad Neitsch (CN); and Tom Cyprian (TC).

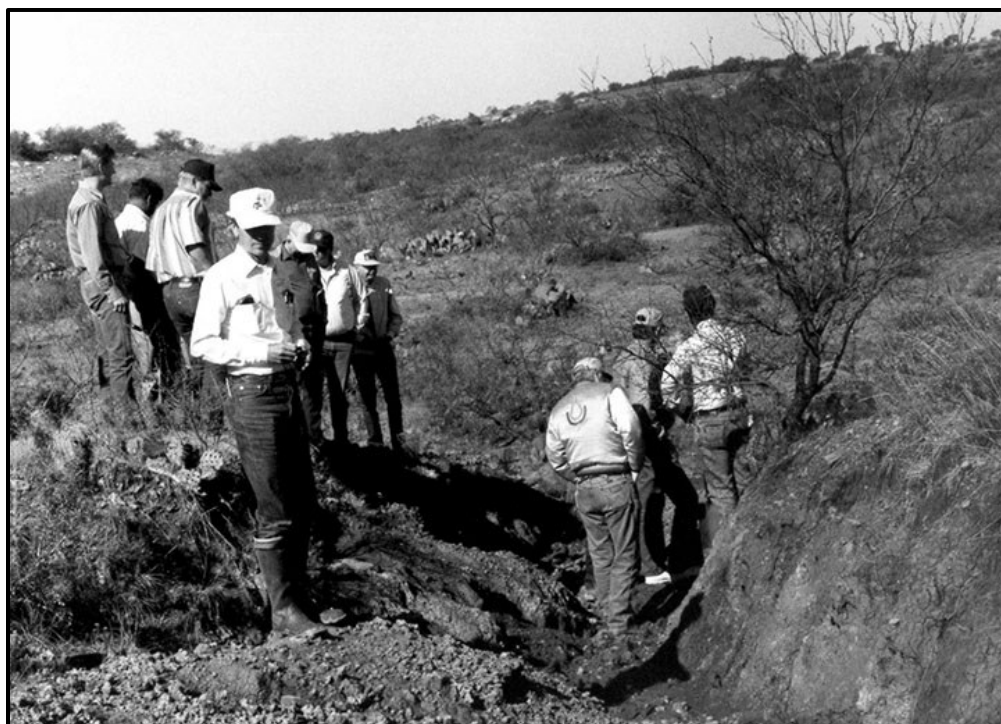


Figure 11. 1994 field trip, near Graham - Conrad Neitsch (closest to camera)



Figure 12. Dinner at 1994 Meeting, Graham (clockwise, left to right) - Fred Schrank; unidentified person; Jamey Douglas; Levi Steptoe; and Kirby Griffith.



Figure 13. 1995 Field trip - Windthorst pit.



Figure 14. 1995 field trip - Windthorst pit, James Greenwade.



Figure 15. 1999 meeting; President Mike Risinger presenting plaque to Wes Miller (Past-President); Jamey Douglass in foreground.



Figure 16. 1999 Meeting - James Greenwade presenting plaque to PSSAT Scholarship winner Shawn Rhodes; Jerry Rives seated.



Figure 17. Socializing, 1999 Meeting (left to right): Dan Kowalski; Tom Cyprian; and Joe Castille.



Figure 18. NRCS booth at CAST (Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching), November 2001, Austin: Maurice Jurena and Stacey Kloesel. (PSSAT also represented at booth)



Figure 19. 2002 Meeting (foreground, left to right): Dr. Clyde Stahnke; Charlie Thompson; and Alan Stahnke. Members in background: Michael Golden; James Greenwade; Jerry Rives; Kirby Griffith; Sam Brown; and Tom Cyprian.



Figure 20. 2003 field trip, College Station, near Easterwood Airport (left to right): Dr. Joe Dixon; unidentified (white hat); Nellie Frisbee; and Dr. Richard Drees.





Figure 21. 2005 Meeting: Nathan Haile presenting scholarship award to Roel Guerra.



Figure 22. 2006 Meeting (foreground, left to right): Charlie Thompson; Tom Feuerbacher; and Eddie Bearden.



Figure 23. 2009 meeting photos.

### 2011 PSSAT Meeting Pictures by Laurie Kiniry



Tracy Rutherford, guest speaker, giving a presentation about photography.



Lindsay Lang giving the Treasurer's Report.



Cristine Morgan taking up ballots.



Donald McGahon and Dennis Williamson looking over winning photographs.

Figure 24. 2011 meeting photos.



Figure 25. 2017 Meeting, portion held outside (Jacob Eickstead, President - brown cap).



Figure 26. Texture Contest, 2017: Wayne Gabriel and Jerry Rives.



Figure 27. 2018 new officers: Dr. David Ruppert, Vice-President; Dr. Don McGahan, President-Elect; Carlos Villarreal, President; and Chance Robinson, Past-President.

## Soils News

### Effect of Microplastics in Soil

Research studying the accumulation of plastics in soil and how it may affect water flow - study published in Vadose Zone Journal. More information here:

<https://www.soils.org/news/science-news/lasting-impact-microplastics-settling-soil>

Soil Health Institute

Press release from the Soil Health Institute, announcing soil health training and research in 35 states, associated with USDA Climate-Smart commodity grants:

<https://soilhealthinstitute.org/news-events/shi-usda-csc-grants/>

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