

Central Indiana Leathercrafters

To promote, develop and expand higher qualities of leathercrafters



August 2026

Next Meeting will be

Tuesday August 25th, 2026
7:00 @ Tandy Leather
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MEETING INFORMATION

We meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month
except in June (Picnic)
and December (Christmas Party)

Meeting starts 7:00pm and ends around 8:30pm

When the normal meeting ends we will then
begin our demonstration for the rest of the
evening.

The Indiana State Fair

The State fair was a huge success despite all the rain. Thank you to everyone that took time to set up, tear down, staff our booth, demonstrate our skills, and educate the art of leathercraft to the fair attendees. We helped nearly 3000 children make leather necklaces!

IFoLG 2026

Peoria IL. Oct 6-11

The Illinois Valley Leather Guild will be hosting this event. Read below or visit IVLG.org for more information. If you can't attend the show you can give your competition items to a member that is attending and we will get them entered.

CIL Guild Display

We are asking members attending the show to bring some of your items to showcase our talents at our table in the display room.

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2026 DUES

A friendly reminder, 2026 dues for the leather guild were due January 1st. 2026. To be able to enter items in the IFoLG annual competition, vote and run for a position during our election you will need to be paid and in good standing with the guild. Individual dues \$30 includes IFoLG dues, Couples \$50 includes IFoLG dues. Family \$50 + \$5 per family member for IFoLG dues. Active lifetime members \$5 for IFoLG dues. If you are a lifetime member and no longer active please let us know, and we will keep our records.

Mail dues to:

Nancy Cooper

8178 Colt Drive

Plainfield IN 46168

Demonstration at our next regular meeting:

We're trying to help John Jarvis make bag tags and other leather trinkets to be given to kids during the Holidays.

Tandy After Hours

The turnout is improving. Many people showing up are new to leathercrafting!
They may not be guild members yet, but we are glad to see them.

Being in a guild is more than just meetings!

Please bring your projects, learn, teach and socialize.

Every Tuesday we are meeting at Tandy Leather

@ 6:30pm for an open Carve In.

(except for the duration of the State Fair and the fourth Tuesday of the month when we have our business meeting)

Website

WEB PAGE

www.Centralindianaleathercrafters.org

Please check our website for additional information. Our monthly newsletters and demonstration information is all on our website for everyone to check out. If you have information, or pictures of your leather items that you would like post on the website, you can E-mail:
Rusty46140@yahoo.com

A Letter from the IFoLG Secretary

Hi Everyone:

Just wanted to let you all know that the 2026 IFoLG Show planning is under way!!!!!!!

IVLG is excited to announce that this year's show theme is 'Traditional Meets Modern'!

For your reference, the Hotel Link is up and ready for your reservation! 😊 IVLG has secured room blocks for October 5-11, 2026.

\$124 + tax / night includes / Made to order Breakfast or Breakfast Buffet

Two drink tickets / per night / per hotel guest

<http://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/internationalfederationofleatherguildshow2026/>

As Federation Members may or may not know, it helps the Host Guild, IVLG (for 2026), to be able to meet the cost of the hotel and venue when you decide to book rooms at the Venue Hotel.

This is a great facility. The hotel is connected to the venue by a covered walkway on the second floor, with elevators for easy access and no need to use the stairs, unless you want more steps. The venue can also be reached just by walking out the front door of the hotel. There are large rooms that will be dedicated to the Competition Room, the Guild Display Room, a hospitality suite, a vendor/exhibitor room as well as multiple classrooms for workshops where you will be able to learn new or refine existing skills.

Embassy Suites has many amenities and close by shopping and restaurants galore. Just across the bridge is Peoria with additional shopping and restaurants. And ... Lots to do for those attendees who may not be leather crafters and have asked for close by alternate activities/amenities.

Competition / Workshops / Vendors / Guild Displays / Hospitality Suite / Raffle & Golden Raffle and more is being planned!!!

Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions for vendors/exhibitors or instructors or sponsors for the '26 IFoLG Show.

We look forward to seeing and visiting with you in East Peoria in October!

Cheers, K

Karrie Alms

IVLG Secretary

October 6th – 11th

October 10th – Competition Room Open for Free Public Viewing

Hosted by Illinois Valley Leather Guild (IVLG)

Embassy Suites Conference Center, East Peoria, IL

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<http://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/internationalfederationofleatherguildshow202>

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/ Raffle & Golden Raffle

For more information: Karrie Alms, IVLG Secretary @ 309-258-7762

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