

IVLG NEWS – January 2026

(ILLINOIS VALLEY LEATHER GUILD)

IVLG – SPREAD THE WORD!

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What's Up This Month?

Wallet Making – Part 1 - Abby

Please join us and learn how to make a wallet.
Design your wallet and make the exterior to start your wallet project.

Please join us January 17th at 3 pm at Mabuhay Leather Craft at Northwoods Mall, lower level at Center Court.

What to Bring:

Leather (2-3 oz / 3-4 oz), thread, needles, stitching chisels, liner – bring your own or available for purchase at Mabuhay and yourself and a friend or two! A show and tell item if you have one.

New Guild Sign

Guild Sign Pieces can be picked up at Mabuhay. Please remember to tape the back of your piece to help prevent stretching so it will fit on the guild sign.

IVLG Guild Display Area

Please remember to bring one or two of your items for the IVLG Display Area at Mabuhay.

1st Qtr (Jan/Feb/Mar) Guild Project

Wallet

Welcome New Member

- Welcome John Alms --- thank you for joining our guild!!!

JOIN THE GUILD

- Please remember to spread the word and bring a friend to our guild meetings.

IVLG Dues 2026

- Please remember to pay your 2026 IVLG dues.

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IFoLG BOG Meeting News

BOG Meeting – Jan 18th – 7 pm – Agenda and Zoom Link to follow.

IFoLG Show News

2026 Show – “Traditional Meets Modern”

- At Embassy Suites, East Peoria, IL from October 6th - 11th ---
- – <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/internationalfederationofleatherguildshow2026/> - Booking link - Group code – 91M - Cutoff date – 9/14/2026
- October 10th - the Competition Room will be open for free public viewing, so please share with your family and friends!
- People's Choice Award will feature Abigail Alms and Daniel Reach who have selected their competition focus to be “Antique Weapons”. Each attendee will receive a ballot to select what artist has created their ‘favorite’ and be crowned the winner.
- Competition, Workshops, Vendors, Hospitality Suite, Guild Displays, Raffle and Golden Raffle and more details to follow.
- Looking for Sponsors for this event – please contact our Karrie at ilvalleylg@yahoo.com.

Upcoming IVLG 1830

Meeting News

- Feb 21st – 3 pm – Wallet Making – Part 2.
- Mar 21st – 3 pm – Lacing - Ron

Thank you to ...

- Everyone for bringing delicious treats and having a fun time visiting with each other. Leathersmiths with baking talents = yummy!

Mabuhay Leather Craft

is pleased to share that IVLG Members receive a
5% discount on the purchase of leather hides!