

Konstantin Scharenberg was born in in Libau, Russia, in 1892. He earned a medical degree from the University of Hamburg, Germany, in 1922, and taught at the universities of Hamburg, Minsk (Soviet Union), and Berlin before coming to the United States to Yale University and then joining the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor of neuropathology in 1930. He changed his family name from Lowenberg to Scharenberg at the Probate Court in Ann Arbor Michigan in early spring of 1936.

He became a full professor in 1952. He was an M.D. and professor in the UM Department of Psychiatry when he and his wife Erika purchased the Day Street house. The family had been living at 816 Berkshire when their two children were young. Rolf went to teach at Purdue University and their daughter Ingrid (Planert) lived in Washington D.C. There were 5 grandchildren.

Konstantin and Erika moved to 2065 Day street when the children were grown and when he was partially retired from the Dept. of Psychiatry. He became a consultant at the Mental Health Research Institute in 1960. He later retired from the UM positions and they continued to live in the Day Street house. Konstantin died in 1981 at age 89. Erika continued to live in the Day Street house until 1993 when she is no longer listed as the occupant or owner of the Day Street house.