

Ralph Birkhold

Ralph is a Charter Member of the Kiwanis Club of Suburban Kalamazoo, Michigan. Attendance at Suburban Kiwanis meetings has been a part of his weekly activities for thirtynine years.

Ralph has served his club and Kiwanis in many ways including serving as Club President in 1960.

Ralph graduated from Western Michigan University in 1936. He then enrolled in Graduate School at the Detroit College of Law. He received his Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree in 1939. Ralph then practiced law in St. Joseph, Michigan until 1941.

He then entered the United States Army and served his country for the next six years.

After his discharge Ralph organized the United Veterans Council which coordinated activities between all Veterans of Foreign Wars organizations and promoted the observance of patriotic holidays. Ralph settled in Kalamazoo where he has practiced law for over 50 years. He is a well respected member of the local legal profession.

Ralph and his wife Lois have four children: Julia, Thomas, Jeffrey and Stephen. They also have six grandchildren.

Kenneth W. Beadling President Kiwanis Club of Suburban Kalamazoo September, 1992

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