

# BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

## INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: (Jacob Vanderbeck, Jr.)  
1845-50

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 41-25 Dunkerhook Road  
(Block 1102, Lot 3)

MUNICIPALITY: Fair Lawn

OWNERSHIP:  Public  Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Richard J. Vander Plaats  
(name)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

Erskine (1778-80)

Hopkins-Corey (1861) J. Ferdon

Walker's Atlas (1876) A. Ferdon

Bromley (1912) no name

Other

RECOGNITION:

National Register  BCHS Marker

HABS NJ 45  Bailey

Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 5°W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Residential

Commercial

Agricultural

Open Space

Other

COMMENTS:

TREATMENTS USE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: H

TREATMENTS TO STRUCTURE:

Roads

Development

Zoning

Deterioration

Other

No Threat

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:

Excellent  Good

Fair  Deteriorated

STATUS:

Occupied

Unoccupied

Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

Yes, Restricted

Yes, Unrestricted

No

Modern frame addition to East. Continuous dormer on South front. Early wing gone before end of 19th century. New wing replaced it in late 1940's. Main section mostly unchanged, except for dormer.

PHOTO



MAP



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

1754/HABS  
c. 1785 architectural evidence

**BUILDER:** Jacob Vanderbeck, Jr.

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

"C" 3 bay, side hall (28'8" x 30'4") deep  
Modern addition to east.

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

- Intermediate Summer Beam
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span
- Other

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Coursed, undressed red sandstone.  
South front stuccoed w/ sandstone quoins.  
Trapezoidal wood lintels.

**FENESTRATION:**

Front: 3'9" x 6'3" (12/12)  
Sides: 3'9" x 5'6" (12/12)  
Rear: 3'4" x 4'2" (12/8)  
All splayed casings.

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

East end bay 2'11" x 6'5" Dutch door  
w/ transom (7'6" total).

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 1-1/2

**CELLAR:**  Yes (Access: exterior  
 No bulkhead on east  
wall @ south end bay)

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:**

Front span: 6½-7½" x 8-9"  
Rear span: 4" x 8"

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:**  
8'6"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:**  
W & E: 1'8½". N & S 1'9½"

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**  
Similar to first floor.

**GARRET:**

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

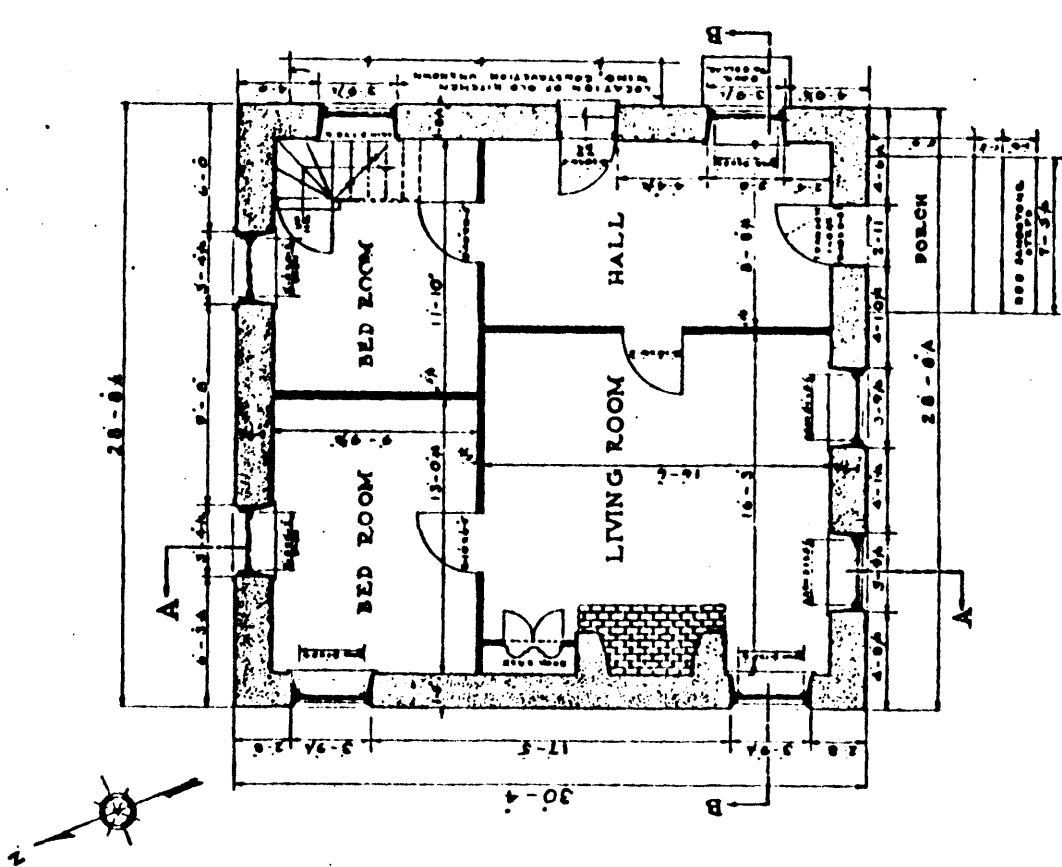
**ROOF:**

- Gable
- Gambrel
- Curb
- Other

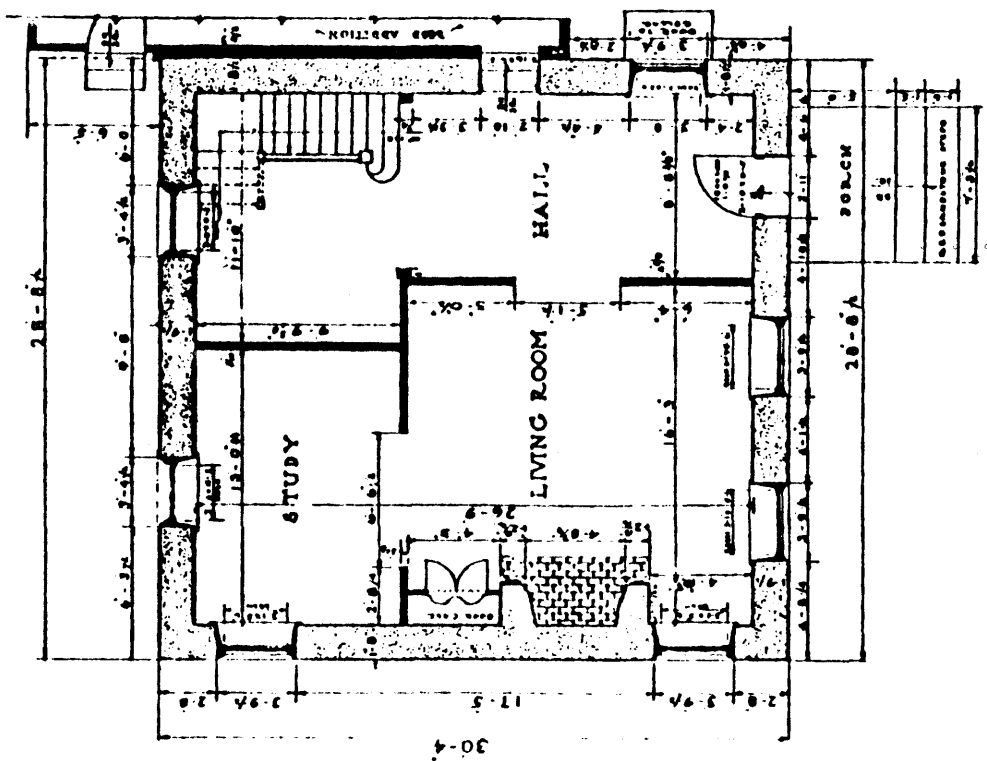
**EAVE TREATMENT:**

- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

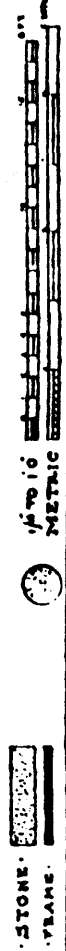
This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN  
 FORMER CONSTRUCTION



FIRST FLOOR PLAN  
 PRESENT CONSTRUCTION



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THE JACOB VANDERBECK HOUSE  
 SADDLE RIVER ROAD AND DUNKERHOOK LANE BOLO GR-FAIRLAWN-NJ

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY  
 SHEET 2 OF 15 SHEETS

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# BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In 1734 Jacob Vanderbeck purchased from Cornelius Drake the land on both sides of Saddle River. Cornelius Drake, an Englishman from the Barbadoes, held title to several thousand acres of land on both sides of the Saddle River between what is now the present towns of Ridgewood and Maywood. On this tract of land just north of Dunker Hook [sic] Road, Jacob Vanderbeck erected his house. Jacob Vanderbeck died in 1800 and his son, Jacob, Jr. sold to John A. Garretson. In 1838 the property passed to John F. Ferdon. The farm remained in the Ferdon family until 1880 when it was split up and sold. The present owner [Squire's, at time of HABS] obtained title in 1937.

The first of the Vanderbeck family in America was Paulus, a native of Bremen, Germany; he came about 1643. The builder of this house, Jacob, was the fourth generation of the family in America. He was a miller by trade and had a grist mill on Saddle River adjoining his home. The mill has since been torn down.

(The above is quoted from HABS data sheet #NJ-45.)

(The original east wing of the house has been replaced and the remainder of the house is from the Federal period.)

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Block 1702, Lot 5 - Fair Lawn Tax Map

2.97 acres

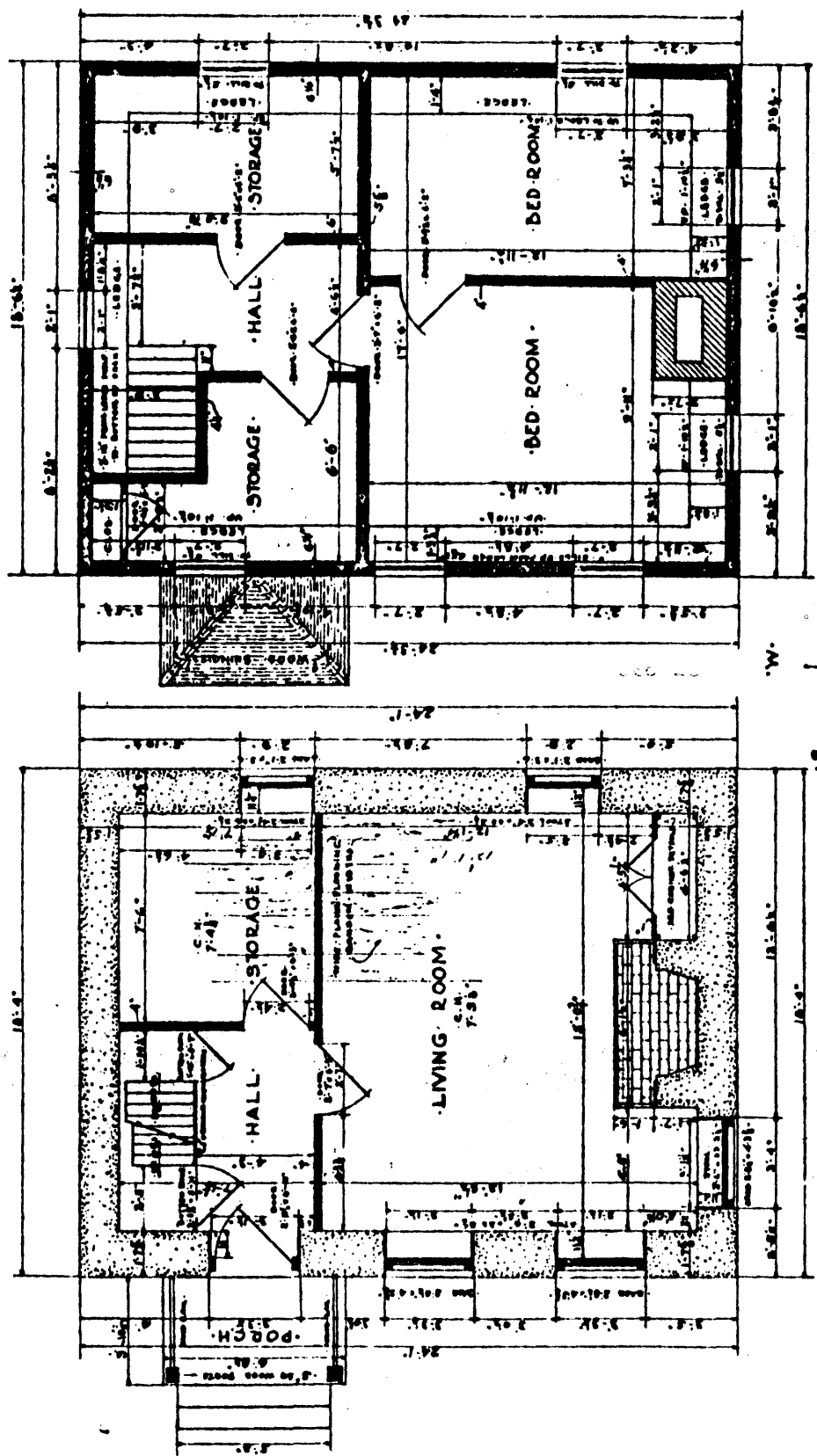
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# FLOOR PLANS 37

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY  
 HISTORIC NAME: Naugle-Vanderbeck House  
 LOCATION: 41-41 Dunkerhook Road, Fair Lawn

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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SECOND FLOOR PLAN

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THE JACOB VANDERBECK HOUSE  
 DUNKER HOOK ROAD - FAIRLAWN - BERGEN COUNTY - NEW JERSEY

PROJECT NO. NJ 563  
 HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY  
 SHEET 6 OF 11 SHEETS

1/8" = 1'-0"  
 METRIC

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Cornelius Drake, an Englishman from New Barbadoes, sold several 1000 acres on both sides of the Saddle River to Jacob Vanderbeck in 1734. His friend, Naugle, who helped with the farm fell in love with Vanderbeck's daughter and about 1761 built this house on land given them for their marriage by her father. Naugle went into the Revolutionary Army and became paymaster of a region out under General Lafayette. When the latter visited after the war, it is said he came to this house to visit his old paymaster, Naugle. John F. Fendon bought the property later on and deeded it to his daughter Maria Ann Ackerman. Mrs. Ackerman's grandson Leslie D. Naugle was born in the house.

(Extracted from "From Slooterdam to Fair Lawn.")

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Block 1702, Lot 10 - Fair Lawn Tax Map

1.12 acres

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