

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL	HISTORIC NAME: <u>Abraham Van Gelder</u> + 1845	REFERENCE	MAP REFERENCES:
	COMMON NAME:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erskine (1778-80) Gelder
	LOCATION: <u>86 West Crescent Avenue</u> (Block 75, Lot 13-B)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hopkins-Corey (1861) A. Van Gelder
	MUNICIPALITY: <u>Mahwah</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walker's Atlas (1876) Garret Van Gelder
	OWNERSHIP: <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bromley (1912) J. Van Gelder
	OWNER/ADDRESS: <u>R. R. Faator</u> <u>(same)</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			RECOGNITION:
			<input type="checkbox"/> National Register <input type="checkbox"/> BCHS Marker
			<input type="checkbox"/> HABS <input type="checkbox"/> Bailey
			<input type="checkbox"/> Other

ENVIRONMENT	HOUSE ORIENTATION: <u>S 70° E</u>	USE	ORIGINAL: <u>Residence</u>
	IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES: <u>20th century garage</u>		PRESENT: <u>Residence</u>
	SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:	THREATS	THREATS TO STRUCTURE:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roads
	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial		<input type="checkbox"/> Development
	<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural		<input type="checkbox"/> Zoning
	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Space		<input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other		<input type="checkbox"/> Other
	COMMENTS:		<input type="checkbox"/> No Threat
			COMMENTS:

CONDITION	CONDITION:		The original Van Gelder dwelling was attached to the south and was gone before 1900. Two fires destroyed much of the original interior but the floor joists appear to be original. The roof is not original. The facade was stuccoed and had a veranda.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		
	STATUS:		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Work in Progress		
	ACCESSIBLE:		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Restricted		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Unrestricted		
	<input type="checkbox"/> No		



DESCRIPTION

CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

Original wing: pre-Revolutionary;
Existing may be post-Rev. or 1810 after
property division.

BUILDER:

a Van Gelder

FORM/PLAN TYPE:

"H" 3 bay, 2 rooms deep (28'0" x 30'8")

FRAMING SYSTEM:

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

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Broken stone, probably stuccoed on
facade and north side.

FENESTRATION:

2/2, 32" x 51-1/2", no lintels.

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

Southernmost bay, plain, 35-1/2" x 7'1".

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

CELLAR: Yes
 No

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION: Gone

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

FLOOR JOISTS:

3 1/2-4" x 9 1/2" hewn, 25-26"
between.

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:

8'0"±

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:

18"

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

ROOF:

- Gable
- Gambrel (20th century)
- Curb
- Other

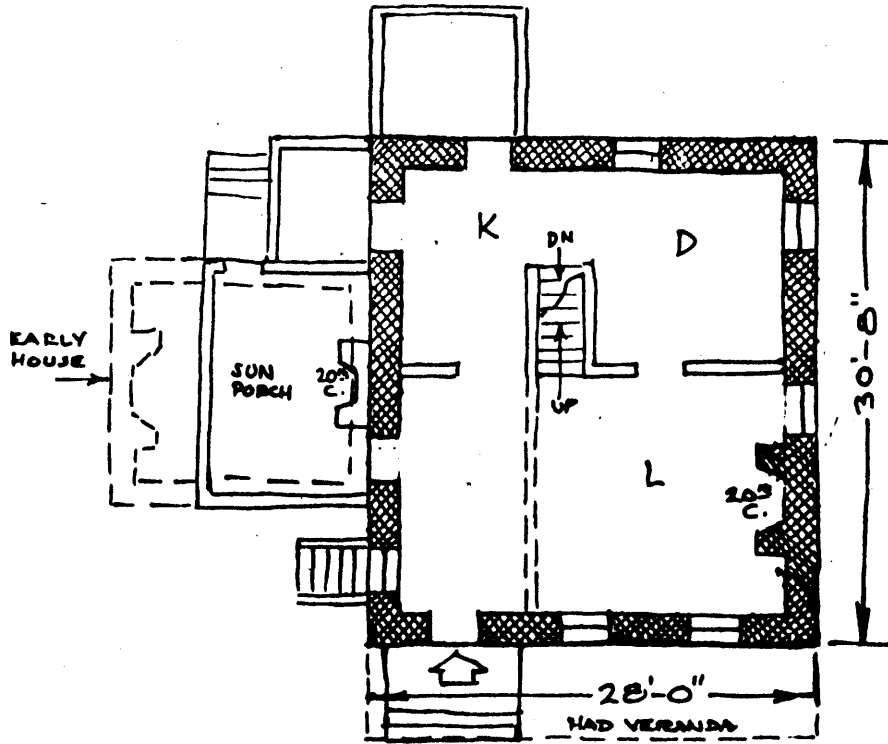
EAVE TREATMENT:

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

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. 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.

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY
HISTORIC NAME: Abraham Van Gelder
LOCATION: 86 West Crescent Avenue, Mahwah

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This house had been the Van Gelder homestead until the death of Abraham in 1790. His son Hendrick inherited the house and 63 acres. He was born in 1743 and had sons David, Abraham and John, all of whom he outlived. The tract was divided to these sons in 1807, which is probably when the two houses were built and enlarged. If not then, this was done at least by 1821 when a map was drawn.

(Extracted from a report by Reginald McMahon.)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Block 75, Lot 13-D - Mahwah Tax Map

1.68 acres

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