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## Inspection Picture of the Month:

**Time for the Gutter-Rooter...** While buried downspout lines are convenient, more often than not they are bad news. Clogged underground lines can cause a draining downspout to back up.



**Keeping water away from the foundation is critical...**if the downspout drain can't push water away from the home, there is a risk that foundation cracking or soil heaving can occur. This can go un-noticed for years, causing a significant and costly foundation issue.



To prevent this from occurring, a simple cleaning of these buried lines with a hand-crank rooting device can push out any built up debris. This should be done at least once a year, in the spring or late fall.