## **GAS SHUT-OFF**

Locate main gas shut-off (usually outside) at the gas meter. The valve is usually on a pipe coming out of the ground, going into the gas meter. Turn the valve crosswise to the pipe (see the large example below). All the pilot lights in and around the building (gas heaters, water heater, etc.) will go out when the valve is turned off. The gas company or other qualified individual (plumber, contractor, etc.) will need to relight every pilot when turning the gas back on.

Forgetting to relight all the pilot lights could result in a dangerous gas buildup!

Remember, if you don't smell gas or have severe damage to the facility, you should not have to shut the gas off. It's YOUR decision.

Clear the area around the main gas shut-off valve for quick and easy access in case of emergency.

A wrench (or specialty tool) for turning off the gas, should be attached to a pipe next to the shut-off valve or in another easily accessible location (see picture of shut-off wrench below). You may want to paint the shut-off valve with white or fluorescent paint so that it can be located easily in an emergency.