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Scary stuff

Jake Cameron, 8, gets startled by his older brother Kyle, 10, dressed as the grim reaper, in front of their Mountainview Drive home's Halloween display. See the unique display on page 13.

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All three missing girls found safe

By STEPHANIE THIESSEN

The Champion

A five-week police investigation has wrapped up after three 15-year-old girls reported missing from Milton returned home.

As police suspected, no foul play was involved.

Det. Sgt. Don Cousens of Halton Regional Police said two of the girls — Courtney Gale and another whose name hasn't been released — turned themselves in to Toronto police, who transported the pair to Milton police early Sunday morning.

"They've been returned to their caregivers. They were unharmed and in good health," Det. Sgt. Cousens said.

Melissa Arsenault returned home on her own



Courtney Gale



Melissa Arsenault

accord Tuesday, also in good health, he said.

The three girls were reported missing September 21 after being last seen at Milton District High School that day.

Det. Cousens said although he's glad the investi-

gation ended well, it's serious when families go through this type of stress and when police resources are stretched unnecessarily.

"We're certainly concerned anytime a young person leaves home. It's particularly concerning for their caregivers when they don't contact them," he said.

Milton resident Sharon Stokes said she picked Courtney up from the Milton police station early Sunday morning.

"She (Courtney) said she called (police) from a pay phone and said she was one of the girls who was missing," Ms Stokes said.

Courtney had been staying in Milton with the Stokes family for the past two months so she could attend Milton District High School, which she and her mother thought was a better fit for her than a

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