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Dexter, Missouri - The ShowMe Times "Back the Blue" series will feature our local men and women in law enforcement. A healthy bond already exists between the Dexter Police Department and our citizens.

The ShowMe Times hopes that you can get to know our local police force and they can share with you a little about themselves. While a good relationship exists between the police and residents of Dexter the August 4th annual "Back to Blue" event will only enhance that relationship and build on the foundation of good will.

Bottom line is that when police and law enforcement are appreciated and supported, they will only increase their commitment and desire to protect and serve.

Ross Culbertson, Badge #955, has been a patrolman with the Dexter Police Department for four years and has been a police officer for five years.

Why did you become a police officer?

"I knew several officers personally. It seemed like a fun job to try."

What do you like most about your job as a police officer and why? "I enjoy the freedom and being able to help people when I can."

What do you like least about your job as a police officer and why? "I have no dislikes about my job."

With the recent unrest in our country with regards to attacks on police officers would you still recommend policing as a career to others? Why or why not? "No I would not. I would not wish the danger that may be involved on anyone."

What is the most gratifying incident you have ever been involved in?

"The most satisfying incident I have been involved in was saving a dog that fell into a drainage culvert that involved the fire department and street department."

If you didn't become a police officer what profession would you have wanted to join?

"I would have taken over the family business and became a farmer."

Sometimes we forget that police officers have families that they are human just like us. On our darkest day they will be there for us. We hope they all return home safe to their families each and every day.

Thank you for keeping us safe!

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