



# Casey The Riveter

Casey Lecher is a modern day Rosie the Riveter. As a mechanic and part owner of Yankton Auto Body, this new wife and mom has her work cut out for her.

"I work almost 50 hours a week here," Lecher said. "I came back just five days after I had my baby. It's fun-filled and exciting. But it is really hard work."

But Lecher hasn't always worked a non-traditional female job.

Not long ago, Lecher worked at a cellular company in Omaha.

"I was miserable," Lecher said. "I was bored out of my mind. Have you ever met anyone who was mad at their cell phone company? Every single day I had someone mad at me. Their cell phone bill was too expensive or their cell phones weren't working - it was just constant."

Lecher said that she was not the kind of girl who would usually be working a desk job.

"But it had benefits," she said. "So what was I to do?" It wasn't until a friend that worked at the Bullseye Paintless Dent Repair Company (PDR) told Lecher to take a couple weeks off to work for the company that Lecher found her true calling.

"I really liked my two weeks there," Lecher said. "So I never went back."

Though Lecher didn't know much at the time about auto reconditioning, she did know a little because of her dad.

"My dad and I rebuilt an engine together when I was 15," Lecher said. "I didn't really want to do it, but he also didn't make me do it. Now he has to call me to help him with things like fix his radiator because he doesn't know how. So that is a nice change of events."

Lecher traveled with the PDR company for three years until the company stopped in Phoenix after a hail storm.

"I loved it but I just didn't want to travel anymore," Lecher said.

"I was never home for more than a week at a time, and that was only three or four times a year. I missed not having to pack a bag. You really learn to love and respect all the things that you have got, and learn what is really important in life. Like your family, your home and your bed. And I say your bed



Casey Lecher and her son Gage at Yankton Auto Body. As a mechanic and part owner of Yankton Auto Body, this new mom has her work cut out for her.