The Boiler Changemaker Award recognizes:

KATHERINE RIVERA-ZULUAGA

Ph.D. candidate, Katherine Rivera-Zuluaga, studies plant molecular biology in the Iyer-Pascuzzil lab and is a student in the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology.

Kathe's nominator shared, "Kathe is the light of the lab. She shows up every day with a bright happy smile and a great big "Hello." You might not think that is worthy of an award; however, I assure you that, during these dark times, it means the world to some. Kathe excels at communicating science to her 48 students, her lab members, and her peers. There is not a day that goes by that spoils Kathe's willingness to talk about science. She works with passion and purpose, and Purdue University is a better place for it."

Do you know a grad student who is making big changes? Nominate them at: bit.ly/BCMAWARD