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**Lamont, Illinois, native writes lyrics for Ball State University's third official song**

MUNCIE, Indiana—Frank Zabilka, Ball State University senior and Department of Theatre and Dance cabaret singer from Lamont, Illinois, has helped write lyrics for Ball State's third official song, "We Fly."

Performed by about 20 students for the first time at the "We Fly" brand launch party in November, the University community has quickly embraced the anthem. The cabaret students have sung the anthem at their concerts in Indianapolis, Joe's Pub at the famed Public Theater in New York City, and several University events. They will sing it together one last time at their Commencement ceremony on May 5.

Zabilka was thrilled and proud to work on Ball State's third official song, with the refrain of "With Benny as my guide, I'll find my way."

"We've never had a song that unites the class with the audience like this before. It has been great to perform it. We love performing together, and this is exactly the kind of thing you hope could come out of these collaborations we have with working professionals."

The students' faculty mentors include Sutton Foster, a two-time Tony Award winner. On the Department of Theatre and Dance faculty since 2010, Ms. Foster co-teaches the cabaret class with her longtime musical director Michael Rafter, department chair Bill Jenkins, and Johnna Tavianini, an assistant professor of musical theatre voice.

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