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Selection will be made on the basis of achievement and need, with special consideration given to adult students.

Dr. Morrison said anyone wishing to make a donation may do so by sending contributions to: Charles W. Dobson Memorial Scholarship Fund, in care of the Dollar Bank, YSU Branch, 410 Wick Ave., Youngstown, Ohio, 44555, or by contacting Dr. James Morrison, 742-3401.

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"Candida" is set in late 19th century London, and playwright-philosopher Shaw uses it to poke fun at the traditional values of domestic tranquility and the stability of marriage.

Dr. Timothy J. Lyons of Austintown is directing the comedy. He is dean of YSU's College of Fine and Performing Arts and artistic director of University Theatre. Assisting him is Paula Rose McConnell, a junior and theatre major from Canton.

Scenery for the production is designed by Dr. Frank A. Castronovo of Boardman, associate professor of Speech Communication and Theatre.

Tina M. Lavorata of Youngstown is designing the lighting, and Maple Turner III, also of Youngstown, is designing costumes. Both are YSU juniors.

Music for the show is being selected and performed by Dr. Robert E. Hopkins of Poland, professor of keyboard in the University's Dana School of Music.

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A copy of the famous Titian painting, "Assumption of the Virgin," is being prepared by Al Bright of Youngstown, YSU professor of art. The campus dramatics fraternity, Alpha Psi Omega, will sell raffle tickets for the painting during intermissions, and a drawing will be held following the last show.

Appearing in the comedy's title role is Elsa C. Higby of Girard, a senior majoring in music and theatre. She graduated from Girard High School, but is originally from St. Croix in the Virgin Islands.

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The curate is played by Chet Domitz of Struthers and Greg Owen of Youngstown will portray the poet.

"Candida" will be presented Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 8-10 and 15-17, at 8 p.m. There will also be a matinee at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18.

Tickets, which are \$5, may be reserved by calling the University Theatre Box Office weekdays at (216) 742-3105. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. There are discounts for students and senior citizens.

Parking will be available in the adjacent Wick Avenue Deck.

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While his wife listens in the background, the parson and his father-in-law arrive at a gentlemen's agreement to stop fighting. Playing leading roles in the University Theatre production of George Bernard Shaw's "Candida" are Todd Dicken of Columbiana as the parson, Will Christy of Howland as the father, and Elsa Higby of Girard in the title role. The comedy opens Jan. 8 in YSU's Spotlight Theatre.

(YSU photo by Cheryl Pepey)

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Greg Owen of Youngstown, in the role of the lovestricken poet, listens raptly to Candida, portrayed by Elsa Higby of Girard, in a scene from YSU's production of "Candida." The George Bernard Shaw comedy opens Jan. 8 in Bliss Hall's Spotlight Theatre. Owen is a senior at Rayen High School.

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"The choice is yours!" proclaims Rev. Morell, left, to his wife, Candida, while her ardent admirer, the poet Marchbanks, at right, awaits her decision. Shown in this scene from the University Theatre production of "Candida" is Todd Dicken of Columbiana as the parson, Elsa Higby of Girard in the title role, and Greg Owen of Youngstown as the poet. The Shaw comedy opens Jan. 8 at YSU's Bliss Hall.

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While her father, center, pleads for harmony, the parson tells his wife, Candida, "Your father and I have come to an understanding." Playing leading parts in the University Theatre production of George Bernard Shaw's "Candida" are Todd Dicken of Columbiana as the parson, Will Christy of Howland as the father, and Elsa Higby of Girard in the title role. The comedy opens Jan. 8 in YSU's Spotlight Theatre.

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In a scene from YSU's "Candida," the parson, left, the curate, and secretary review the day's schedule. Cast in these roles in the George Bernard Shaw comedy are Todd Dicken of Columbiana as the parson, Chet Domitz of Struthers, and Janet Oliver of North Jackson. "Candida" opens Jan. 8 in Spotlight Theatre at the University's Bliss Hall.

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The University Theatre production of George Bernard Shaw's "Candida" includes this scene in which the curate, played by Chet Domitz of Struthers, tries to peek at a letter being typed by the secretary, Janet Oliver of North Jackson. The comedy opens Jan. 8 in YSU's Spotlight Theatre.

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"And what wicked things do you wish to say to me?" asks Elsa Higby of Girard, who has the title role in YSU's production of George Bernard Shaw's "Candida." Portraying the lovestricken poet at her feet is Greg Owen, a senior at Rayen High School.

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