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That's snow business

Vic Chaney, theater arts graduate student, teaches a section of Theater Arts 101. Chaney took advantage of Tuesday's snowfall to put his lectures in a more three-dimensional form, having his students make snow sculptures of William Shakespeare. He fixes an idea here, while Liza Binford, a friend of Chaney's from Hunter College in New York, looks on.

Debate team wins, goes to Georgia

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UK team was celebrating its first tournament victory this year.

The UK debate team captured first place honors last week at the Miami University Invitational Tour-

While the Wildcat basketball team was busy losing to Auburn, another

nament in Ohio. Thirty-five teams from six states participated in the tournament.

"Although the team has placed before and made it past the preliminaries, this is the first time we've taken the big prize this year," J.W. Patterson, director of debate for the team, said.

Yesterday the team left on its way to West Georgia College in Carolton, Ga., where they will go against "approximately 30 of the best teams in the nation," Patterson said.

Patterson said that although the team members are prepared for the Georgia contest, they are not the "ultimate contenders."

"They are a good solid team, and no one will take them for granted," he said.

Victories in tournaments are definite accomplishments, but Patterson said that is not where he places emphasis.

"As long as they are learning and

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COUNTERPOINT

Counterpoint, a new weekly feature of the *Kentucky Kernel*, makes its debut in today's edition. Appearing each Friday, Counterpoint will feature articles of editorial interest, pro and con debates, columns and letters to the editor. *Viewpoint*, the *Kernel's* regular editorial page, will be featured Monday through Thursday. See page 4.

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their last letters, and the Sister asked Ai to read hers. Ai said, "That woke me up to the fact that I liked poetry.

"I have been writing ever since. I would not have known that I had talent if the Sister hadn't had us write (the last letter)."

She is now revising the poems to her third book, tentatively titled *Sin*. Her other two books were well received and have sold approximately 18,000 copies, and Ai said she never thought her works would be published and thought that she would just write in "obscurity."

A friend took Ai's copy of her graduate school thesis and sent it to her current publisher, Houghton Mifflin Company. In about six months she heard from the publishing firm asking for a new manuscript to which she did not reply for eight months.

"After the first book, I couldn't write for about two years," Ai said. "I didn't want to rewrite about the same thing and I decided to change

but not drastically. I wanted to expand on my past work."

She has received the Guggenheim, Radcliffe and National Endowment for the Arts Fellowships. "The (John Simon) Guggenheim Fellowship is the most prestigious prize that a writer can receive," Hemenway said.

Ai grew up in Tucson, Ariz. She received her bachelor of arts degree in Oriental studies from the University of Arizona and her master of fine arts in English at the University of California.

The poet said the master of fine arts is "a writer's equivalent to a doctorate" and is a two-year degree in intensive writing in combination with literature courses.

Ai said the popularity of poetry increased during "the social and cultural upheaval of the 60s."

"Poetry is a lot more popular than when I was an undergraduate," Ai said. "Women and minorities have turned to writing as a form of self-

INSIDE

Writing and dining is how many students will be spending this weekend. For a listing of bars, bands, movies and other activities of the night see PASTIMES, page 3.

Students for a Better UK are planning foot patrols across the campus. For details, see page 2.

WEATHER

Cold and frigid days are ahead. Today it will be partly cloudy with a high of 5-10 degrees. Tonight it will be partly cloudy with a low of 5-10 degrees below zero. Tomorrow the frigid temperatures will continue with a high of 5-10 degrees.