Any Tau Beta Pi chapters proudly display Bent monuments on their campuses. Chapters may purchase the unpolished 18” or four-foot Bent monuments from International Headquarters at 1/800-828-2382 or tbp@tbp.org.

The 18” monument weighs 14 lbs. and the four-foot monument weighs about 100 lbs. Dimensions of the four-foot monument are provided on the website. The monument finish is similar to the small flat Bent castings that chapters order, and the initiates file and polish.

Many chapters incorporate the sanding and polishing of the monument as one of their chapter projects. Contact the machine shop on your campus to see if it can offer assistance, or look in your phone book under “metal fabricators.”

Chapters are also responsible for the base on which the monument is mounted. The California Alpha Alpha Chapter submitted a “Bent Base Construction and Design” report has proved helpful for many Chapters.

Most chapters have cast bronze plaques on the bases of their monuments to call attention to the purpose of Tau Beta Pi, to dedicate the monument, or to thank someone.

The wording of the plaque should be carefully considered. It should state that this is the Bent of Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society. It should also state the chapter name, date of charter, a statement of dedication and purpose, and the date of dedication.

Also, please share any dedication photos for possible inclusion in the Association’s publications and for www.tbp.org.

Shipping charges are additional, and the shipper requires payment upon delivery of the monument. Headquarters will contact the chapter 3 to 5 days prior to delivery with the charges, so the chapter can prepare a check.

Before the monument can be erected, ensure proper approval from all university officials concerned. This often includes the university architect, the superintendent of buildings and maintenance, as well as the head of the engineering school.

Chapters must maintain the polishing and maintenance of the Bent monument. Brasso has been recommended by our vendor for polishing purposes.

A chapter wishing to raise funds for purchasing a monument may contact alumni to see if they are interested in contributing.

Please contact Headquarters for current prices or with any questions.