

There are two words that we can say and they are “THANK YOU.” Thank you for fourteen and a half wonderful and crazy years here. Thank you for supporting us the good times and the bad. Thank you for fulfilling a dream that we never imagined could come true. We’ve literally seen people come and go, watched babies grow, graduate college and start lives of their own. Thank you to all of our regulars that made us feel like we were part of their families as much as they were ours. (You know who you are!)

Thank you to the best staff anyone could ask for, especially for sticking with us when you knew we were going to close. And thank you the staff that was there at the beginning of this all and the ones in the middle.

In 2008 we decided to scratch an itch we always had when we saw the for lease sign up on the building. It didn't take much convincing to talk Sandy into my dream. Sandy said, “what will I do there, what will be my role?” I said all I wanted was for her to be her and the people will come, and boy did they. None of this would have worked without her presence and caring for each and everyone of you. My heart breaks that she won't have this in her life anymore. Nothing meant more to me than being able to run Bella with Sandy and my son Corey. And while he has moved on to a different career he and his fiancé Alysha have still been here helping us through the years. That dream was more about running a TRUE family establishment and we did it our way.

There have been people over the years that thought I was joking when asked “do you own this place” and my response was always “no, I just work here.” I meant it, I worked at Bella Frutteto, just like many great people that I had the pleasure of working with side by side. Many moved on to other jobs or college but I truly hope they remember the good times and not the bad, the epic holiday parties and the terrible karaoke.

While our time here is done and we hate the thought of not seeing you at our tables, we can't wait for what the future holds. We will be back soon, right across the street, serving take out and catering. So hang onto those gift cards, and keep checking your emails because **WE WILL BE BACK!!!**

Jeff, Sandy, Corey and the best people I've ever worked with, the Bella Frutteto staff

