

FAMILY SOAPMAKERS SINCE 1858

DR. BRONNER'S

ALL  **ONE!**

In all we do, let us be generous, fair & loving to Spaceship Earth and all its inhabitants. For we're All-One or None! All-One!

THE BRONNER JOURNEY FROM LAUPHEIM TO CALIFORNIA

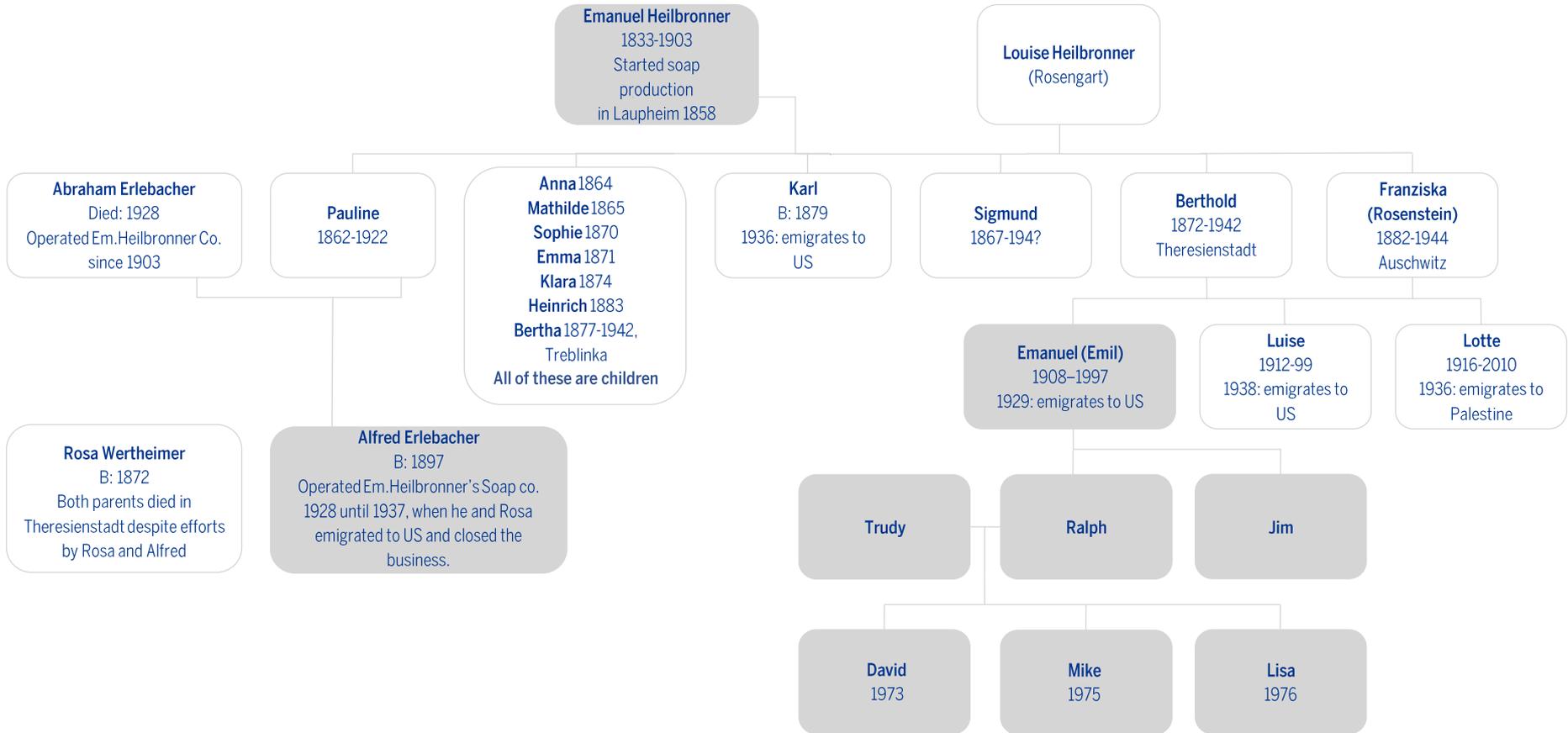
April 7th, 2017



What Am I Doing Here?

- Give some historical perspective on our family journey
- Share a story of Triumph emerging from and shaped by the Tragedy of the Holocaust
- Examine a little bit the identity and culture of the Jewish diaspora in the United States, as it has evolved over time, through personal anecdotes
- Show how everything connects and comes full circle, in a good way, if you let it.

Family Tree



Before We Start

- I was not raised Jewish but am very proud of my Jewish ancestry
- I am here to learn about my ancestry as much as talk about it.



5th Generation Pilgrimage to Laupheim & Heilbronn

David and Kris Bronner, with Gero Leson, visit the Heilbronner family roots in Laupheim and Heilbronn in 2007. City of Laupheim welcomes David with open arms, and are excited to share all records they have on the family, including city records, gravesite, and ancestral home.

Familie Heilbronner

Seife prägt eine Geschichte

LAUPHEIM – David Bronner, Nachfahre der jüdischen Laupheimer Familie Heilbronner, hat mit Stadtarchivar Rolf Müller die Gräber seiner Ahnen besucht. „Intense“ waren für ihn das Museum im Schloss und die Bilder und Dokumente, die dort von seiner Familie erzählen.

Von unserer Redakteurin
Karen Annemaier

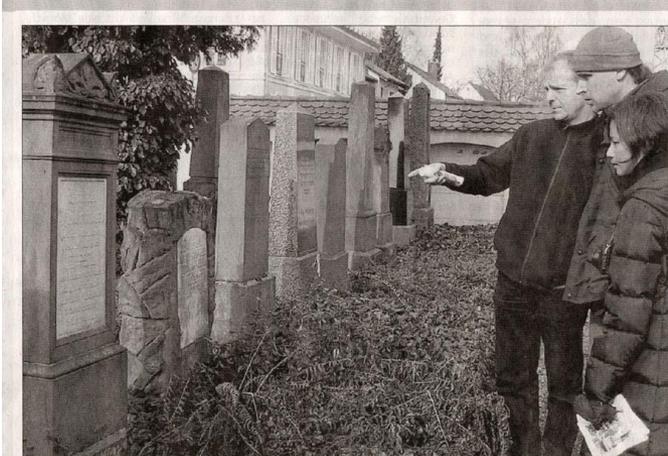
dermeister Emmanuel Heilbronner, der 1928 nach Amerika ausgewandert, macht David Bronner heute in Seife. Das „Heil-“ hat die Familie nach dem zweiten Weltkrieg aus Gründen, die auf der Hand liegen, aus dem Namen gestrichen. Schließlich haben aus der Generation des Großvaters nur drei Heilbronners das Regime überlebt, das sich mit „Heil“ grüßte.

Der Großvater nannte seine Firma „Dr. Bronner's Magic Soaps“. Heute ist sie Marktführer im Segment biologische, natürliche Seifen. Die Zutaten

dank dieser Erbauung oder dank der Kosmetikprodukte selbst so gut fühlen. Auf der weltgrößten Biofachmesse in Nürnberg erprobt die Firma zurzeit, ob Dr. Bronners magische Seifen in Deutschland einen Markt finden.

Eine intensive Erfahrung

Doch zurück nach Laupheim: Das Heilbronner-Haus am Judenbergr hat ein Zweig der Familie, der den Namen Erlebacher trug, in den 30er Jahren verkauft. Mit dem heutigen Besitzer hatte

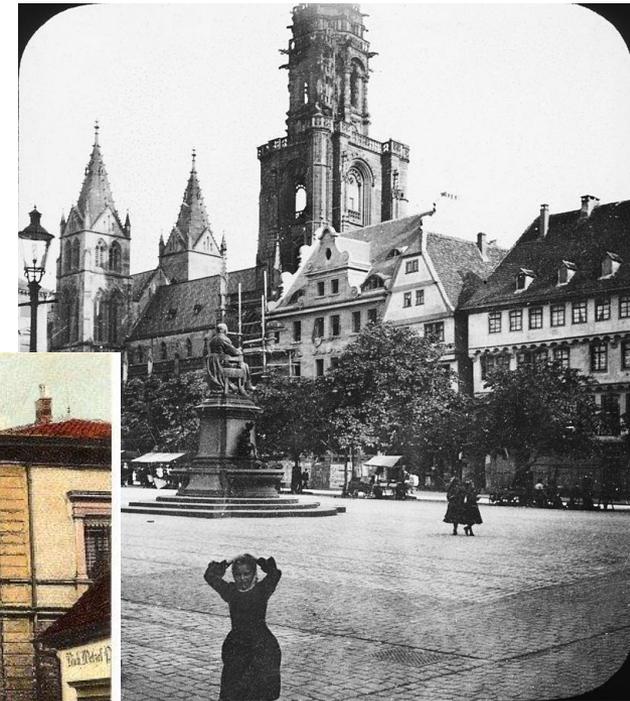
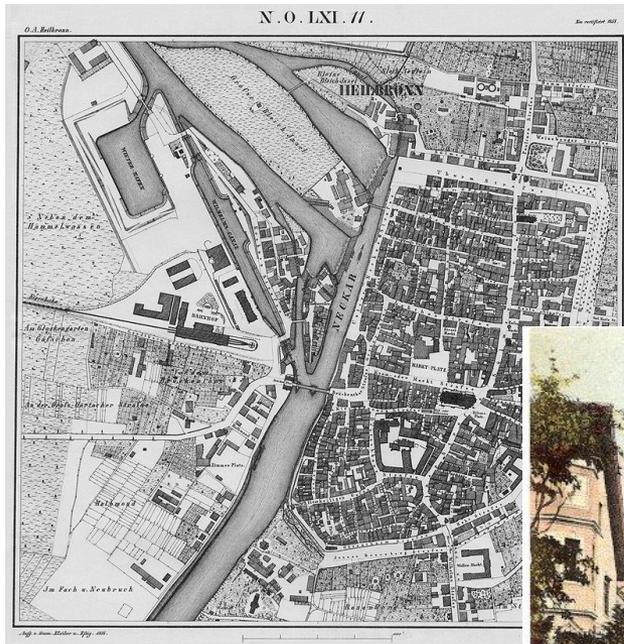


Auf den Spuren der Ahnen: David Bronner (Mitte) hat mit seiner Frau Chris und seinem deutsch sprechenden Mitarbeiter Gero Leson (links) den Laupheimer jüdischen Friedhof und dort Gräber seiner Vorfahren besucht. Foto: ka



Heilbronner Family Moves from Heilbronn to Laupheim and Back Again

Since the early 1800s, economic and political equality for Jews makes Laupheim an ideal home for the Heilbronner family, which took the name of the city they came from. In 1858, Emmanuel Bronner started a soap making business in Laupheim – the house still exists. However in 1903, due to the lack of economic opportunities in Laupheim, 3 of his sons, Karl, Sigmund and Berthold moved back to Heilbronn and started Heilbronner and Cie.



Emanuel Heilbronner, born 1908

Third generation of a successful German-Jewish soapmaking family from Heilbronn, Germany.



Radical thinker & soapmaker

Born with a strong and challenging mind, Emanuel apprentices at his family's soapmaking factory, receives a Master Soapmaking certificate from guild trade school and a Chemistry degree from university.



Leaves home to start his adventure

Emanuel's modern ideas and powerful personality clash with his parents. He leaves for America at age 21, arrives at Ellis Island, makes his way west to Chicago and Milwaukee to work as a chemist at soap companies, developing several patents.



Tragedy strikes

With rise of Hitler and World War, Emanuel tries to get his parents to emigrate from Germany, but is too late - they are deported to Auschwitz and Theresienstadt and killed.



Birth of All-One vision

The murder of his parents and rise of global war leads to the formation of Bronner's global peace plan and All-One vision – we are all “Brothers and Sisters on God’s Spaceship Earth! All-One! or None!” - increasingly becoming the focus of the soapmaker’s life.

THE MORAL ABC

“1st Perfect thyself! Work hard! Start now! Teach All-One, 4 billion strong! Ten men must protect Free Speech and Barbarism’s gone! Peace is won! All enjoy working united by full truth, God’s Law, ETERNALLY ONE: ALL-ONE-FAITH-IN-ONE-GOD-STATE!

For when 1/2 true hate is gone and all of us are dust, the full truth we print, protect and teach alone lives on! Full truth is God! It must!

Confucius–Israel–Jesus & Mohammed, inspired by God’s Blazing Star, Halley’s Comet!

The pen is mightier than the sword If So Used!

Phone! "All One!"

ALL-ONE-FAITH-IN-ONE-GOD-STATE

4 billion strong! Instantly unites all mankind free of 1/2 true hate with barbarism gone! Free!

Rabbi Beck survived 66 million murders in Marx' "One World Without Jews" with full truth, 66 words reinforcing 1/2 true swords teaching how to survive, again & again suppressed by fake "Rabbis" since 1945:

"THE MARK OF THE MATURE MAN IS HIS ABILITY TO WORK CONSTRUCTIVE! BEING LOVED! TEACHING LOVE! JOYFUL-BRAVE! WITHOUT GUILT! HE TEACHES FRIEND & ENEMY HILLEL'S ESSENE MORAL ABC 4 BILLION STRONG, INSTANTLY UNITING ALL MANKIND FREE WITH BARBARISM GONE! FREE IN "ALL-ONE-FAITH IN ONE-GOD-STATE!" WE TEACH THAT TODATE OR ABSOLUTE NOTHING! ALL ELSE IS UNIMPORTANT! HILLEL INSTANTLY UNITES ALL MANKIND FREE!"

Remember: Marxist Rabbis betray, bury all mankind by 1/2 true hate! Hillel's hardworking-constructive-selfish-full truth-Free Speech & profitsharing teamwork instantly inspires, eternally evolves-unites All-One-God-State! Join "ALL ONE!" Phone! Indianapolis, Ind.; Cardiff, Escondido, Modesto or Oceanide, CA! "ALL ONE" Today!

Join "ALL ONE!" Phone "ALL ONE!"



Escape to America of Cousin Alfred

After Emanuel Heilbronner, the founder of the first soap business in Laupheim dies, his son in law Abraham Erlebacher continues the business. His son Alfred, the cousin of Emanuel Bronner follows him as company owner in 1928. He and his wife Rosa Wertheimer both escape Germany and move to the US. They are unable to help Rosa's parents leave Germany and both of them perished in the Theresienstadt concentration camp.



Exodus of Lotte and Louisa

Bertholdt's daughters leave: Lotte to found a kibbutz in Israel called Ein Gev, Louisa to pursue a career in chemical engineering in Boston, where a different world of oppression awaits.



Arrest and escape West

Arrested and put into an asylum after a passionate speech about his world peace plan at the University of Chicago, Bronner escapes by climbing out of a bathroom window, hitchhiking to Los Angeles in 1947.

ElginState Insane Asylum



Birth of Dr. Bronner's Soap

Sleeping with pigeons on the roof of the YMCA, eventually mixing batches of soap in his hotel room, Bronner returns to his street-corner sermons, giving away soap to all who will listen, printing the sermons on the labels. Dr. Bronner's soap is born.

PURE CASTLE SOAP
Dr. Bronner's ALMOND OIL 18-in-1
 COCONUT, PEPPERMINT, SAGE, COCONUT OLIVE-ALMOND OILS
PURE-CASTLE SOAP

1. Always dilute for cleanest results. (See label.)
 2. Massage with 1 oz. Almond Oil Soap in 8 oz. hot water.
 3. A dash is best for tooth brushing. . . . clean & fresh!
 4. Always prefer Almond Oil Soap for Shampoos, Body Soaps!
 5. Use Almond Oil Soap for Shampoos, Body Soaps!
 6. Dilute for good skin care. Soap, 1 part; Water, 1 part.
 7. Hot liquid soaps irritate baby's skin. Always use hot water!
 8. Pets, milk, wool & eggs are best in hot! Wash heads!
 9. Wash in water once most eggs are laid & vegetable!
 10. Soak in oil. Add Food Grade Salt. "Heat Soaps" Only!
 "HEALTH IS OUR GREATEST WEALTH!" (C) 1973 "All-One!"

4 FL. OZ.
\$9.00
119 ml.

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kept coming in the mail, and what could I do? Now I work eighteen hours a day, eight running the business, and ten trying to unite the world with the Moral ABC."

Absolute cleanliness is godliness! Win Victory! Teach the 2nd Coming of God's Law Rabbi. The Moral ABC the mason, the real Rabbi Hillel taught the 12-yr old Jesus to unite me, what am I eternally? Absolute nothing! 3rd If not now, when? Never! 4th If I lead must teach friend & enemy "The Moral ABC & how to plant Israel's drip-system fruit by full truth in All-One! One! Eternally One! All-One! Win Victory! Teach A sing-dance-love marching . . . g on! We'll live God's Law today! We'll fight for

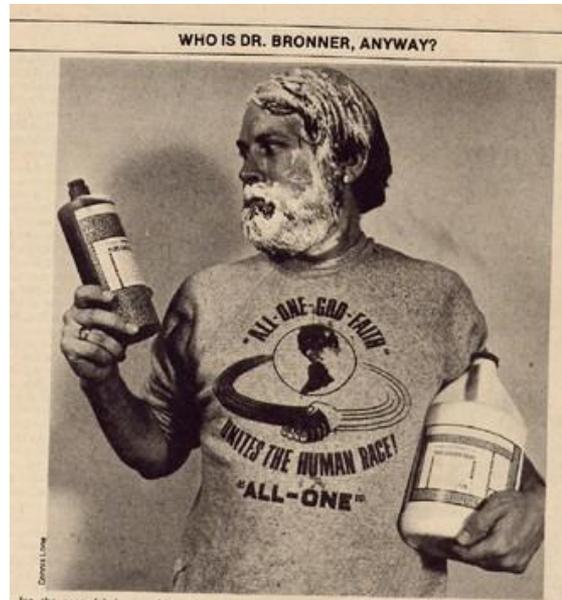
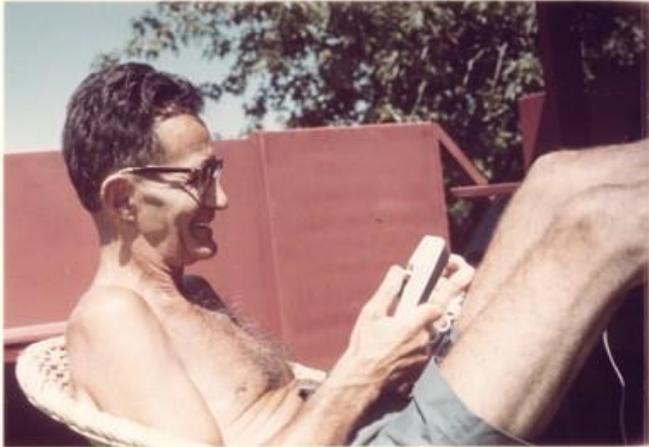
"Is it I'm not for me . . . Absolute nobody! 2nd If I'm only for me, what is my clan? We're all hate . . . None!" answered Jesus, entering manhood! . . . One-God-Faith! One! Eternally One! All-One! (76) I th hunger gone! Win Victory! For these are the days . . . today! We'll fight for what's O.K.! We're young & isene Rabbi . . . ABC: Constructive-selfish full truth, hard & inselfish S . . . divided man die in battle, die in flames, p an evolve . . . Help teach All-One, 4 billion strong

Dr. Bronner's PEPPERMINT PURE-CASTLE SOAP
 coconut-olive-peppermint oils, potass



Marketing, the Dr. Bronner's way

“Put it on the shelf, and it’ll sell!” Dr. Bronner’s soap grows by word of mouth, not advertising. The rise of all things natural, Dr. Bronner’s resonant message, his connection with young people and one-on-one connections with sellers and customers – even printing his home phone number on the label! – steadily grow the soap’s popularity through the ‘50s and ‘60s.



Peace, Love & Soap

The hippie and peace movement of the late '60s and '70s, and rise of natural food stores, co-ops and organic (Bio) culture, all propel Dr. Bronner's "Magic" soap, which spreads across the country in hundreds of VW buses.



Sons and daughter: Ralph, Jim & Trudy

In the '90s, Dr. Bronner's sons and daughter-in-law put the business on a firm foundation. Jim, chemist and operations leader, Trudy, business and finance, and Ralph, soap and All-One! evangelist. Together they cement the brand's commitment to values - through philanthropy: giving away a \$1.4M parcel of land to the Boys & Girls Club, treating employees fairly: establishing profit sharing and health insurance for all, and spreading love: Ralph traveling around the country in his van giving away soap, hugs, songs and stories.



Grandsons David & Mike

When Jim Bronner was diagnosed with cancer, his son David returns home to learn the family business, later joined by brother Mike who was living overseas in Japan. Together they see the family business as an opportunity to live their gifts in service to the world: making socially and environmentally responsible products of the highest quality and dedicating profits to help make a better world.



Expanding the All-One! vision

With David and Mike's leadership, Dr. Bronner's increases and clarifies its commitment to the stewardship of the earth and all its inhabitants through organic and fair trade standards, employee benefits, philanthropy and social activism. "For we are All-One or None!"



"to unite humankind as one!! "

As Dr. Bronner's All-One and global vision continues to grow and expand, the company remains focused on creating the highest quality soap in service to the earth and its people, humbly focused on playing our part to enrich, serve, heal, and unite Spaceship Earth!



Meet The Bronners



And All Grown Up 😊



It's All In The Label

WET FIRST. APPLY LITTLE. MASSAGE TO ENJOY THE REFRESHING CREAMY MILD EMOLLIENT LATHER. RINSE TWICE. OK ON BABY, BATH, BEACH AS LIQUID TOOTH PASTE, SOAP & SHAMPOO. TO SOOTH & DISINFECT FOOT IRRITATIONS. WASH. APPLY DRY. LEAVE OVERNIGHT. WASH AGAIN: OK. TO SIMPLIFY & ENJOY LIFE MORE. THIS SOAP IS IDEAL FOR AT LEAST 9 DIFFERENT USES: IT'S REFRESHING PEPPERMINT OIL BASE HAS UNSURPASSED REVIVENATING & CLEANSING POWERS.

DR. BRONNER'S 9-in-1 SUPERMILD PURE-CASTILE-SOAP

ALL PURPOSE SKIN-DENTAL-& HAIR SOAP

1. Use only ¼ oz. in 1 gal. hot water for Facial Pack to
2. open pores, freshen & clean Face, Hair, Skin & Scalp
3. soothing hot pack to tired Eyes, Arms, Feet & all
4. towel-massage, wash & rinse Body, Baby, Bath, Beach
5. ideal to clean Teeth, brush & renew Dental Plates:
6. refreshing Mint-Oil-Shampoo, diluted with soft water
7. OK for Silk, Wool, Nylons, Diapers & Mechanics-hands
8. Fragrant USP - Peppermint - Oil - Disinfectant - Soap.
9. To Fruit & Veg. add ½ oz. Soak ½ hr. Rinse til clear: OK!

"Health Is Our Only Real Wealth"

Manufactured since 1848 & fully guaranteed by -
 DR. BRONNER & ASSOC., Mfg. Research Chemists
 MADE IN U.S.A.

1 qt. PURE VEGETABLE OIL SOAP **\$3⁵⁰**

JUDGE ONLY BY THE RESULTS —
 MADE FROM PURE COCO OLIVE & PEPPERMINT OILS, 100% VEGETARIAN, SUPERMILD CASTILE HAS OUTSTANDING WATER-SOFTENING & CLEANING POWERS, PREFERABLE TO HARSH SOAP & DEFATTENING SYNTHETICS. IT DOES NOT CUT DIRT, BUT DISSOLVES IT. IT IS THE MILDDEST, MOST PLEASANT SOAP YOU EVER USED, OR MONEY BACK; ENJOY IN FRAGRANT FLORAL VAPOR BATH!

1948 © & Pat. Pend. by Dr. E. H. Bronner, Chemist

9-IN-1 PURE CASTILE SKIN SOAP & SHAMPOO

is ideal for at least 9 different uses: Its Peppermint Oil Base has unsurpassed skin rejuvenating power. For example: To clean freshen & relax, enjoy a hot massage, refreshing facial pack, quick bath & body-rub with 9-in-1 Castile. Pour ½ oz. over bath towel in 1 gallon hot water. Ring out. Lay it over face & scalp. Massage with finger tips. Repeat 3 or 4 times until arms, legs & all are rubbed, always towards the heart. Rinse towel with plain hot water & massage again. Do it near open window. Breathe deeply. Within 9 minutes you feel "New" with skin cleaned & pores opened by 9-in-1 PEPPERMINT CASTILE POTASSIUM-SOAP & SHAMPOO

Pat. Pend. by DR. E. H. Bronner Chemist, Escondido, Cal. U.S.A.

The original Dr. Bronner's label - 1948



What Does It All Mean?





Mike (links) und sein Bruder David Bronner sind die Enkel des aus Heilbronn stammenden Seifenfabrikanten Emil Bronner, hier auf der Biofachmesse in Nürnberg.

Foto: Adrian Hoffmann/privat

Eine (Heil)Bronner Erfolgsgeschichte

USA Als Emil Bronner in der NS-Zeit auswanderte, hatte er eine legendäre Idee – Enkel betreiben Seifenfirma bis heute

Von unserem Redakteur
Adrian Hoffmann

nien an. Und die brachte schnellstens in Erfahrung: Salzstraße 60. Bronner fuhr direkt hin, unterstütz

Bestehen des Unternehmens nach der Firmensitz.

Mike Bronner ist Vize-Präsident

ckelle: das sogenannte „Moralische ABC“.

Seine Überzeugung wurde es,

ren wurde sie zum Bestandteil eines jeden Hippie-Haushaltes in den USA. „Es riecht, als hätte jemand ein

Safeguarding the Family Heirlooms in Mulfingen

Understanding that their future was in peril, Berthold and Franziska entrust their furniture and valuables, including precious silver, to their housekeeper Agathe who had supported them even after Kristallnacht. She also secures the valuables safely in Mulfingen, and returns them to Berthold's daughters Lotte and Louisa after the war.





Jüdischen Emigrantin und Germ



Luise Bronner 1986 bei einer Rede im Großen Ratssaal. Foto: Stadtarchiv

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Reconnecting in Mulfingen with the Beck Family

In June 2016, the Bronner family and the Beck family meet in Mulfingen, and share stories and memoirs around the same dinner table that belonged to Bertholdt and Franziska Heilbronner, which Agathe had brought back over 70 years prior.



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TELEGRAMM-ADRESSE: MADAFORM
FERNRUF 2175

An die Geschäftsfreunde
der Firma Madaform!

HEILBRONN A. N., Datum des Poststempels
SCHLIESSFACH 177

Ich erlaube mir, Ihnen mitzuteilen, daß die Firma

MADAFORM SEIFENFABRIK HEILBRONN

durch Kauf an mich übergegangen und damit in
arische Hände gelangt ist.

Es wird für mich vornehmlichste Aufgabe sein, nur
beste Qualitäten der bekannten Erzeugnisse der
Madaform auf den Markt zu bringen.

Ich verbinde damit den Wunsch, mit Ihnen in ange-
nehme Geschäftsverbindung zu kommen.

Heil Hitler!

Madaform Seifenfabrik Heilbronn
Dr. Bauder

Heilbronn Factory Today





A Family Factory Once Again

In June 2010, after catching Mike Bronner sneaking around the old Heilbronner soap factory and hearing his story, Nicki Frank takes him into what is now a 3rd generation metal foundry, and shows him the old soap mills still bolted to the floor. Frank and Bronner family relationship continues to this day.



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ALL  **ONE!**

In all we do, let us be generous, fair & loving to Spaceship Earth and all its inhabitants. For we're All-One or None! All-One!

OUR MISSION



**Constructive Capitalism is
where you share the profits
with the workers and the
Earth from which you made it!**



OURSELVES

1

Work hard!
Grow!

OUR CUSTOMERS

2

Do right by
customers

OUR EMPLOYEES

3

Treat employees
like family

DR. BRONNER'S



ALL-ONE!

OUR SUPPLIERS

4

Be fair to
suppliers

OUR EARTH

5

Treat the earth
like home

OUR COMMUNITY

6

Fund & fight for
what's right

OURSELVES

1.
Work hard!
Grow!



OUR CUSTOMERS

2.
Do right by
customers



A photograph of two women in a warehouse. The woman on the left is smiling broadly and wearing a purple t-shirt. The woman on the right has a more neutral expression and is wearing a maroon sweater. They are standing in front of red metal shelving units filled with various supplies like water jugs and boxes. The text 'OUR EMPLOYEES' is at the top, and '3. Treat employees like family' is overlaid on the left side.

OUR EMPLOYEES

3.

Treat employees
like family

How our family grows

2015 EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Total number of Employees 150

DIVERSITY

Minority Employees 62.7%

Women Employees 50%

Minority Managers 38.1%

Women Managers 47.6%

BENEFIT EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION

No-deductible Health Insurance 100%

Dental Insurance 100%

Life Insurance 100%

COMPENSATION

Minimum Compensation

Starting permanent position rate \$1748/Hr

Compared to CA state minimum wage 194.2%

Compensation Ratio (CEO to Avg. worker)

Dr. Bronner's 4.8

U.S. national average† 303

† Source: Economic Policy Institute 2014





OUR SUPPLIERS

4.
Be fair to
suppliers



Basic Tenets Of Fair Trade

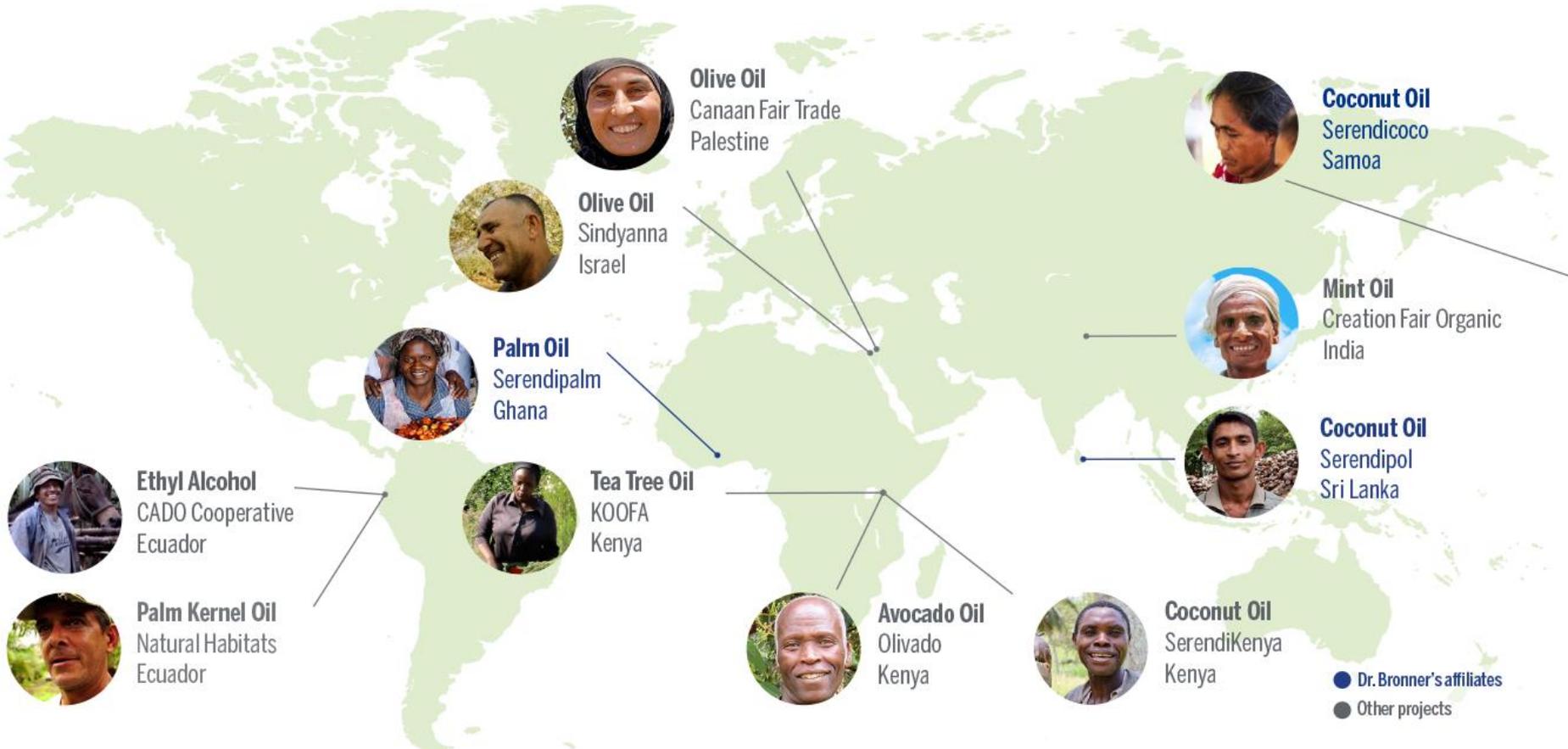
- Cut out intermediaries in the purchasing chain
- Know the farmers and their communities from whom you are buying and build long-term trading relationships
- Make sure prices for crops and wages are fair and paid promptly
- Help finance farm inputs such as organic compost
- Set a floor price that guarantees to cover farmers' cost of production (COP) plus a fair profit should market prices crash below COP
- Ensure that working conditions in processing operations are safe
- Follow rules set by the International Labor Organization regarding working hours, gender equity and the right to collective organization
- Contribute a fair trade premium for community development,
- Achieve the participation of all stakeholders
- Please check out www.Serendipalm.de



Our fair trade activity

2015 FAIR TRADE SOURCING		DR. BRONNER'S AFFILIATES	OTHER PROJECTS
Total fair trade oil produced for Dr. Bronner's in 2015 (metric tons)		2,099	1,366
Fair trade premium spending by issue area	Farmer support	\$ 44,697	\$ 347,843
	Health	\$ 63,427	\$ 6,959
	Education	\$ 10,406	\$ 11,609
	Water & Sanitation	\$ 0	\$ 5,207
	Infrastructure	\$ 25,278	\$ 24,359
	Other	\$ 161,015	\$ 19,801
	Total	\$304,824	\$415,238
2015 FAIR TRADE SUPPLY CHAIN IMPACT			
Number of farmers registered	Male	2,322	1,689
	Female	683	318
	Total	3,005	2,007
Farm level income	Total volume purchased (metric tons)	33,808	4,319
	Total value of purchases	\$ 7,736,311	\$ 5,291,127
	Total organic premium paid	\$ 451,942	\$ 577,272
	Average purchase per farmer	\$ 8,417	\$ 11,696
Total acres under cultivation	Certified organic	25,419	8,133
	In-conversion & conventional	6,527	2,884
	Total	31,943	10,997

Our fair trade and organic sources



Trusted Fair Trade Supplier of Reputable German Brands



RAPUNZEL
Bio-Pionier seit 1974

Faires Bio-Palmöl

Aus Respekt vor Mensch,
Tier und Natur

Augusta Kanadu hat durch die Verarbeitung der Palmfrüchte bei Serendipalm in Ghana einen sicheren Arbeitsplatz, wie viele andere Frauen ihres Dorfes.

Wir machen Bio aus Liebe.

OUR EARTH

5.

Treat the earth
like home



OUR COMMUNITY

6.
Give
and give!



Our social contributions

Dr. Bronner's contributed \$6,565,328 to various causes in 2015 (6.9% of total revenue, and 37.3% of profit before taxes). The total includes financial, in-kind and direct action contributions.

Animal Rights Advocacy	\$223,321	Health & Healthcare	\$345,792
Children & Youth Services	\$265,889	Homeless Services	\$90,651
Community Betterment & Others	\$327,309	Industrial Hemp Advocacy	\$418,291
Drug Reform & Harm Reduction	\$909,603	Organic Integrity & Soil Regeneration	\$398,704
Environmental Advocacy	\$188,012	Prisoner Education & Reentry	\$114,678
Fair Trade	\$528,877	Wage Equality Advocacy	\$117,203
GMO Labeling	\$2,636,998		



1973



1984



2005



2015



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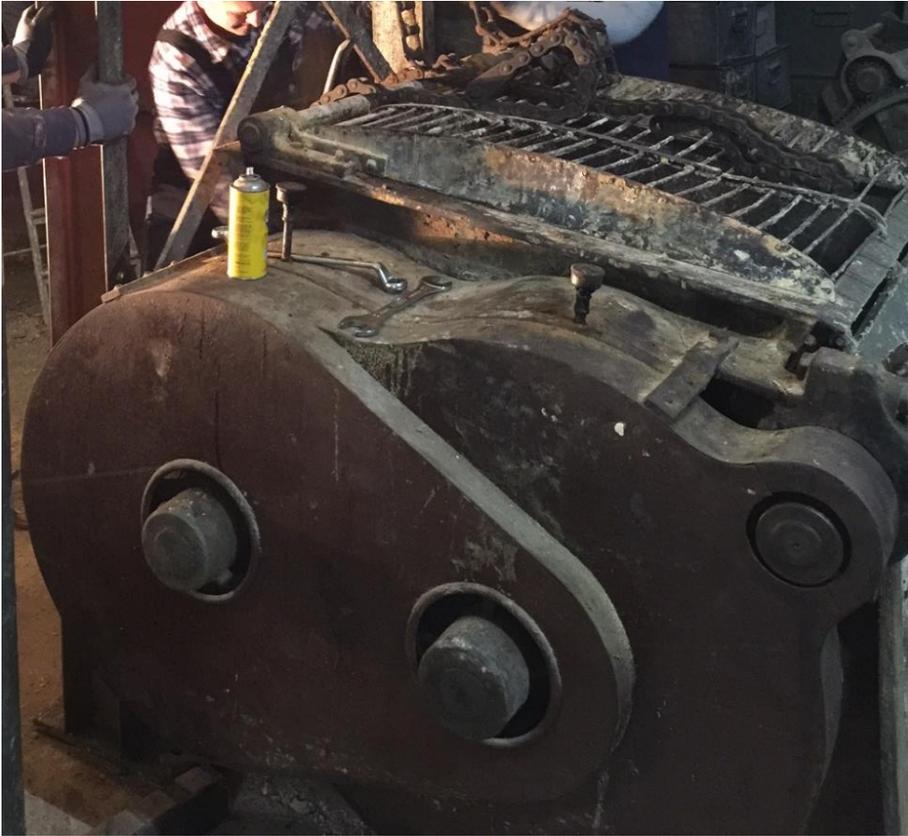
SOAP AROUND THE WORLD





Coming full circle

Our German team arranges with the Frank family to remove the bar soap plodder from their factory floor and ship it to our headquarters in America, where perhaps one day it will roar to life again....







Thank you!