

ShopRite's Richard Saker Honored For Philanthropy

Laura and Richard Saker were honored recently at "La Bella Vista Musicale," a Pacific Encore Performances gala event staged at the home of Mindy and Dan Minerva in Locust, NJ. The Sakers, both strong community advocates, were presented with the 2006 "Legacy Award" for their dedication to the arts, music, and the highest standard of excellence. Richard Saker, president of Saker Holdings/ShopRite, employs over 8,000 associates. 1,300 Central Jersey non-profit organizations benefited from Saker World Class ShopRite's benevolent contributions this past year. The Saker ShopRite Supermarkets support the Susan G. Komen Research Foundation, N.J Special Olympics, and ShopRite Partners in Caring, a charity "dedicated to the fight against hunger." ...Earthwise Bag Company, Inc., announced that The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company and Giant Food will make Earthwise's reusable bags available in all 565 of their stores throughout New England, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. The reusable shopping bag program is part of a corporate-wide initiative by Stop & Shop and Giant to promote environmental conservation, and encourage consumers to "reduce.reuse.recycle." The Earthwise bags offer a durable, environmentally-friendly alternative to the costly and wasteful plastic and paper shopping bags typically used in grocery stores. At Stop & Shop and Giant, they will retail for \$.99 each.