

Local franchise holder to debut new look for national burger chain's restaurants.

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MID-CAP PRIVATE COMPANY

WINNER

Al Gallo

**Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Redstone Cos. Hospitality**

Al Gallo joined Redstone in 1999 and has more than 25 years of experience in the hospitality industry. His responsibilities include the direct supervision of accounting and finance for \$117 million in hospitality-related sales, which encompasses The Houstonian Hotel Club & Spa, Houstonian Lite and Redstone's golf properties.

Prior to joining Redstone, Gallo held various positions with Rosewood Hotels (Houston St. Regis) The Woodlands Resort Country Club &

Spa and the San Luis Resort and Condominium project.

Gallo was an adjunct assistant professor for four years at the University of Houston's graduate school of hotel and restaurant management where he taught hospitality financial planning, and continues to guest-lecture on a variety of hospitality financial-related subjects. He is an active member and former chairman of the Houston Chapter of the Hospitality Financial Technology Professional Association.

Gallo graduated from the University of Houston with a bachelor of science degree in hotel and restaurant management from the Conrad N. Hilton College and became a Certified Hospitality Accountant Executive 1988.

