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Entrepreneur Tom Shannon honored

Restaurateur and real estate developer Tom Shannon of Tampa is among 11 honorees being inducted into the



Shannon

Horatio Alger Association this week. Shannon, 65, founded T-Bird Restaurant Group (which developed

Outback Steakhouse restaurants in California) and Tampa real estate firm Village Development Co. The Horatio Alger award recognizes those who overcame humble beginnings to achieve success and serve as a role model. Among other inductees are Indra K. Nooyi, chairman and chief executive, PepsiCo Inc.; actor and director Denzel Washington; and Stephen A. Wynn, chairman and CEO of Wynn Resorts.