

MID-STATE BANCSHARES  
Form 8-K  
December 24, 2003

**United States  
Securities and Exchange Commission**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

## FORM 8-K

### Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **December 17, 2003**

## MID-STATE BANCSHARES

(Name of Small Business Issuer in its Charter)

**California**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

**000-23925**

(File Number)

**77-0442667**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**1026 Grand Ave. Arroyo  
Grande, CA**

(Address of Principal Executive  
Offices)

**93420**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code: **(805) 473-7700**

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**DISCLOSURE**

**OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD**



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On December 17, 2003, at its regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Mid-State Bancshares, the Board declared a thirteen cents per-share quarterly cash dividend for all shareholders of record on December 31, 2003, payable on January 15, 2004. Please refer to the Press Release dated December 18, 2003 attached hereto and made a part hereof.

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## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**Exhibits**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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| 99                 | Press Release announcing third quarter cash dividend December 18, 2003 |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 18, 2003

MID-STATE BANCSHARES

By: /s/ JAMES W. LOKEY  
James W. Lokey  
President  
Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ JAMES G. STATHOS  
James G. Stathos  
Executive Vice President  
Chief Financial Officer

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