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)

1026 Grand Ave. Arroyo Grande, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 000-23925

(File Number)

77-0442667

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

93420

(Zip Code)

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

Item 5. **DISCLOSURE** 

# OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD

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.

Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

#### **Exhibits**

Exhibit No. Description

99 Press Release announcing third quarter cash dividend December 18, 2003

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#### **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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