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Reward of \$20,000 Offered in "Geezer Bandit" Investigation

Latest robbery in Morro Bay, California, Friday, May 27, 2011

The FBI and local law enforcement are seeking the public's assistance to identify and arrest the individual dubbed the "Geezer Bandit." The "Geezer Bandit" is believed to be responsible for 14 bank robberies dating back to August 28, 2009. The first robbery in this series was in Santee, California, with the latest believed to have occurred on Friday, May 27, 2011, in Morro Bay, California.

On Friday, May 27, 2011, at approximately 3:15 p.m., the Heritage Oaks Bank, 310 Morro Bay Boulevard, Morro Bay, California, 93442, was robbed by an unknown male believed to be the "Geezer Bandit." During this robbery the "Geezer Bandit" robbed two tellers threatening both of them with a small black revolver that he pointed at the tellers. The tellers complied with his demands and provided him with a sum of money. According to the Morro Bay Police Department, the "Geezer Bandit" may have left the area in a small cream colored two-door sedan.

Since August 2009, the FBI, San Diego Police Department (SDPD), San Diego Sheriff's Department, and other law enforcement agencies have sought the public's help in identifying the "Geezer Bandit." A \$20,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the "Geezer Bandit."

Witnesses from previous robberies have described the "Geezer Bandit" as follows:

Sex: Male Race: White

Age: 60 - 70 years old

Height: Approximately 5'10" to 6'0" tall Weight: Approximately 190 to 200 lbs.

Build: Average

Clothing: Navy-colored blazer, navy or black-colored baseball cap, dark-colored pants, and

possibly wearing a mask

Weapon: Revolver pistol that he carries in his left hand

The "Geezer Bandit" is believed to be responsible for robbing the following banks:

August 28, 2009	US Bank	9643 Mission Gorge Rd., Santee
September 12, 2009	San Diego National Bank	7877 Ivanhoe, La Jolla
October 9, 2009	US Bank	4627 Carmel Mountain Rd., San Diego
October 26, 2009	Bank of America	17008 Avenida de Acacias, Rancho Santa Fe
November 16, 2009	Bank of America	7680 Girard Ave., La Jolla
January 27, 2010	San Diego National Bank	1075 Rosecrans, San Diego
April 20, 2010	California Bank & Trust	140 Escondido Ave., Vista
April 30, 2010	US Bank	1301 E. Vista Way, Vista
May 11, 2010	Bank of America	9711 Mission Gorge Road, Santee
June 7, 2010	US Bank	14837 Pomerado Road, Poway
June 24, 2010	Bank of America	31934 Highway 79 South, Temecula
November 12, 2010	Bank of America	4480 Coffee Road, Bakersfield
January 28, 2011	Bank of America	5892 Calle Real, Goleta, California
May 27, 2011	Heritage Oaks Bank	310 Morro Bay Boulevard, Morro Bay, California, 93442

Bank surveillance photographs from Heritage Oaks Bank, 310 Morro Bay Boulevard, Morro Bay, California, Friday, May 27, 2011.



Bank Surveillance photographs from the Bank of America, 5892 Calle Real, Goleta, California, on Friday, January 28, 2011, at approximately 5:53 p.m.



Anyone with information concerning the "Geezer Bandit" is asked to contact the FBI at telephone number (858) 565-1255, Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 or your local law enforcement agency. **The "Geezer Bandit" is considered armed and dangerous.**

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