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PIGEON-TOED BANDIT SOUGHT IN PHARMACY ROBBERY SERIES

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Robbery Unit detectives continue to investigate a series of pharmacy robberies that began in July, 2011.

On December 24, 2011, at about 10:00 a.m., a male wearing a Santa hat entered the point Loma Cabrillo Drug located at 955 Catalina Boulevard in the Fleetridge neighborhood. The male walked directly to the back of the store to the pharmacy counter and caught the pharmacist's attention. He handed the pharmacist a note demanding Oxycodone, Xanax and money. The clerk put some bottles of the generic equivalents of the drugs in a plastic bag from the pharmacy. The suspect walked out of the store and went northbound on Catalina Boulevard.

The same suspect is believed to be responsible for at least 4 other pharmacy robberies.

CASES:

1.	07/23/11	1119	Sat	11-028774	Ralphs Pharmacy	3515 Sports Arena Blvd.
2.	08/12/11	1000	Fri	11-031595	Vons Pharmacy	6155 El Cajon Blvd.
3.	08/14/11	1029	Sun	11-031871	Ralphs Pharmacy	4315 Mission Blvd.
4.	10/17/11	1714	Mon	11-040942	Vons Pharmacy	2495 Truxtun Road
5.	12/24/11	1000	Sat	11-050600	Point Loma Cabrillo Drug	955 Catalina Blvd.

The suspect is described as a white male, 30's to 50's, 5-6 to 5-10 with a medium build, wearing a black ball cap, fedora or Santa hat and dark pants. He wore latex gloves in two cases and carried a black bag or backpack in most cases.

The latest robbery was captured on surveillance video. Copies of the video are available at the San Diego Police Department Headquarters Broadway customer service counter.

Anyone with information concerning this case is asked to contact the San Diego Police Department's Robbery Unit at (619) 531-2299.

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