

## Live Owl Nest Box Cam

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### Live Barn Owl Nest Box Cam - San Marcos, CA

This is a live feed of a wild female [barn owl](#) named Molly. The owl box is located 15 feet off the ground. The male(McGee) has a white chest and face. He usually shows up after dark but has spent an entire day with the female. **For more [Information](#) about the owls and this cam. [Click Here.](#)**

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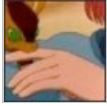


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**Latrippi**

Alrighty: To download a PDF of tonight's poetry bash slam, go here:

<http://mollyowl.pbworks.com/Chat-Stream-PDFs>

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**Merritt**

Somebody said something about brownies earlier. I wish they hadn't done that because now I want want one. But, I think it's high time I went to bed, so I am going to forgo the sweet. I leave my cravings to you. 😊

See you owl once it's really a new day. This night has been wonderful.

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**Latrippi**

Good night, Merritt. I'm just about to post the link to the PDF and then I'm off to bed too. Sleep well!

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**Merritt**

Nite Latrippi. Thank you for all that you do. That wiki page is really coming along.

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**Latrippi**

That's \*night and \*link, proving that I need to do it. (Actually, I make a lot of typos whether I'm tired or not.) Night!

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**Jackie Theisen**

Oh My Lord, we've been Blessed  
For Molly came back to the nest at 4:04  
Where has she been no one know's  
Maybe just out getting her rest  
she has'nt been seen since 4-24  
Now, we all can take a deep oowlish breath.

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**ME**

GoodOwlNight..Molly bring sumpin big home..

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**Alison L**

I thinks she got the point... "MOM, we're STARVING!!!"

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**Latrippi**

But she forgot the food. Ooops!

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**Teneal Pardue**

The blue box says she brought a mouse.

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**Merritt**

It says she brought a mouse!

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**Latrippi**

Oh golly! I missed that. Scrolling back through the moderated chat (I hope it isn't irritating for me to quote from it, but Carlos generally has a pretty good idea of what's going on since he has access to views we don't): " 1:21 carlosroyal: I looked at the sequence of pictures and Molly was on the landing first. The(then) flew to the perch to hand off a mouse"

So SOMEBODY here was right. Or more than one somebody, wasn't it? Clever watchers.

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**Merritt**

I appreciate the reports we get from there. Thanks for doing that!

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**Merritt**

This is a cute cartoon from the 1940's that was posted yesterday, about a family of 4 little talented owlets. In the next lull, it might make entertaining viewing.

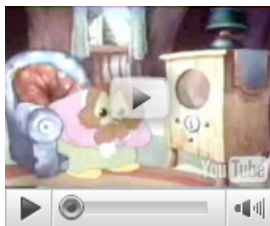
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**ME**



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**Annie**

1936 Merrie Melodies !!!

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**ME**

He is gonna go out that door soon if she don't go in!



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**Merritt**

Must be sorely tempting, don't you know.

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**Daniele Dishion**

OK I was secretly getting concerned. Shhh don't tell anyone LOL

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**Auburn**

M&M are playing mind games with us.

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**Daniele Dishion**



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**Daniele Dishion**

looks like Molly He never stays around 😊

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**Latrippi**

Yay!!! Molly under a green moon! Waiting, watchful.

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**Auburn**

And no sooner than I ask...fabulous!

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**Connie**

Who is that?

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**Connie**

Couldn't sleep so I got up and watched for a while but need to go back to bed. Hope all is well with Molly.

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**Julia**

Hi from the U.K. Just heard on the news here about the tornado that hit Mississippi. Sending you our love and prayers. X

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**Annie**

sounds like theyre singing in 4 part harmony

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**Merritt**

an owl capella group!

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**Annie**

ohhh, thats a good one merritt 😄

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**Latrippi**

Or a madrigowl!

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**Storymom**

madrigowl....chuckle...

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**Latrippi**

"Now is the month of Maying / When merry owls are playing / Tra la la la la la la la / Tra la la la la la." (I'm so relieved that Molly showed up, honestly!)

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**Latrippi**

From UStream chat: "carlosroyal: Molly may have been on the landing I have a photo but can not tell who it is because it is a back shot."

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**Latrippi**

Oh, and also McGee. Carlos got a shot of him. Earlier someone there said, "one owl flew towards the box from the ladder area but did not land and one owl flew towards the box from the top left corner of the screen but kept going." Carlos will post the photos in the morning but seems like there was a double fly-by.

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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

I would love to stay up longer but have a big day tomorrow and had better try and get some sleep. Good night Owlets, Molly, McGee and everyone. I hope the pantry gets full before morning

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**Merritt**

'Nite, Bonnie. Sleep well.

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**Teneal Pardue**

It's really odd that we haven't seen Molly tonight. Wish she would bring the kids a fat, juicy treat!

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**Auburn**

I've no doubt the kids are well-fed but I would like to see that Molly is well.

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Liked by You Teneal Pardue



**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

I had the screen up zoomed in and it looked like something was dropped and one of them grabbed it but then I can't be sure.

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**Merritt**

That's what I thought, too. Also, two nights ago, I'm sure Molly came and sat on the perch around 4am PST but her visit never got documented. Someone was asleep at the wheel on that one.

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**Auburn**

I didn't see but maybe he has resorted to throwing grub in on a fly-by.

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**Latrippi**

Merritt, on another less spooky note: I have a PDF of tonight's chat stream here, from about 7:40 PM PDT to just before midnight.

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**Merritt**

You're kidding. Do you really? Is it something you can share? I'm telling you, there was some good stuff here, and a lot of follow-up comments were made that I know I didn't see. I'd love to have a copy if I could.

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**Latrippi**

I am not kidding. It's 5.3 MB. I'll see if I can upload it to the wiki but I'm not sure. Took me a while to grab it but I just scrolled back and did a 'print to PDF' -- and got it. Firefox printed empty frames but Chrome worked, although when I tried to go a couple 'more' steps further back, I crashed it.

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**Merritt**

Yeah, put it on the wiki! Thank you for doing all of that. That's terrific.

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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

Hi Karen

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**Auburn**

In honor of "Lightning-bolt McGee":

My name is McGee  
I sleep in a tree,  
There's no room for me  
so I have to flee.  
Can't get in the door,  
nor step on the floor,  
I just bring the food  
for my rowdy brood.

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**Merritt**

Good one! He needs to come back to make those last two lines true, though. Apparently this last time was a dry run!

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**Auburn**

Perhaps the distant sound you mentioned or something else gave him pause. However, he's usually never derelict in his duties.

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**Storymom**

It's odd McGee would visit without bringing food?...is a puzzlement (Yul Brynner, The King and I)

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Liked by You Auburn Merritt



**Storymom**

now...it says...'no treat...12:38am McGee'... up above the video screen...

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**Merritt**

Did anybody hear those distant adult barn owl (maybe) screams? Even the owlets paused in their squawking!

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**Latrippi**

Yes!!! I did, it was spooky.

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**Latrippi**

Someone in moderated chat is suggesting it was the flying monkeys from the Wizard of Oz.

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**Storymom**

ha!

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**Merritt**

It's good to know "those other people" have as good a sense of humor as we all do. 😊

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**From Mi**

Wow that was fast

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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

who was that Molly or McGee?

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**Merritt**

We don't know yet.

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**Latrippi**

Moderated chat has no idea either.  
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**Karen**

I can't tell. I don't think anything has been dropped off though  
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**Alison L**

I couldn't tell, was that a drop off or not?  
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**Jenny**

I saw it, too  
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**Merritt**

I think it was a drop off but they haven't posted it yet.  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

something was dropped off 😞  
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**Latrippi**

I thought I just saw someone fly in. Was I hallucinating?  
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**Auburn**

I saw owl wings and a flash from Carlos's camera, I think.  
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**Merritt**

Nope, you weren't hallucinating. and whoever it was had been sitting on the camera perch before they flew to the box.  
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**Latrippi**

Oh, phew. That was a little strange! I'd been away for a bit.  
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**Storymom**

Hoping not to offend anyone's beliefs here, but I just read an article about the barn owl and its symbolism in different cultures & religions For example: Siberian Shamans believe the Barn Owl is the symbol of 'persistance during difficult situations' Interesting....Molly certainly has stood steadfast in her own difficult situations, wouldn't we all agree? ( unatched eggs, windstorms, live prey being accidently dropped into the owl box, barking dogs, the WORLD staring at her...etc? 😊)

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**Merritt**

Hi! I'm glad you shared that. Good to see you, Storymom.  
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**Auburn**

Good golly, where's Molly? "Molly has not showed up" says Carlos. Another MIA will boost viewership. 😊  
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**Merritt**

lol! A boost in viewership notwithstanding, those of us here now would like to know she's ok. It's odd that she's awol.  
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**Auburn**

One would like to think she would've made an appearance, at least. I consider it odd myself since she has been known to perch outside, even without an offering.  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

hi Auburn has McGee shown up any or are they a little hungry?  
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**Auburn**

Hi Bonnie. Ditto to Merritt's reply. 😊  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

have out youngsters been fed lately?  
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**Merritt**

About an hour ago, McGee dropped off a mouse. Before that there was a rabbit and a "rodent."  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

thank you Merritt, How long has Molly been gone? I haven't been on for a bet  
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**Merritt**

She was last seen dropping of the food in the wee hours of the morning yesterday. She slept somewhere else all day, and hasn't yet been seen tonight.  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

😊 hi every one. just woke up and can't sleep. have read down thru the posts and Merritt you can make your font bigger by holding down your ctrl key, clicking on this page any where on the white and rolling the ball on your mouse back to you. to down size it you roll it the other way. Its a wonderful zoom for any thing you need to up size  
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**Merritt**

Bonnie! Thank you!!!! I couldn't find the zoom that someone else had suggest but your control key tip did the trick! Somewhere along the line I must have reduced it by accident because I'm telling you, it was unforgivably small! Thank you again, very much.  
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**bonnie p- I'm from Idaho---**

I couldn't be on here with out it. my daughter showed me how to do that little trick and you are welcome. have the kids been fed lately?  
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**Alison L**

Tiny feathers fly  
Through my nightly dreams again  
Lovely owlet squawks!

Thought I'd give it a shot since I've enjoyed everyone else's haiku's so much.

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**Merritt**

I'm so glad you did! I love it!  
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**marilyns**

Time to go to bed. We have company from England arriving tomorrow for a week. Have been cooking all evening so I won't have much to do while they are here. I am pooped-just like Molly!  
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**Merritt**

Good night. Enjoy your company and all that good food.  
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**Mary Carroll**

Thank you again.  
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**Merritt**

You should contribute from now on!  
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**marilyns**

Looks like Daddy came thru again..Thought e were going to see one going out to greet him!

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**Mary Laura Kennedy**

Early night for us. I give credit (or responsibly) to us but it has been a long day. I will leave the rest of my thoughts to Isaac Brock.

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**Merritt**

Goodnight, Laura.

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**Merritt**

Oh. Isaac Brock of the Modest Mouse. I googled it! You're funny!

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**dave the buzzard man**

Goodnight ladies and gentlemen, owls and owletes. Back tomorrow.

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**Merritt**

Nite, Dave.

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**Mary Carroll**

Again night and now

While wind promises more rain

We wait here for you.

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**Merritt**

Very nice.Thank you for sharing that!

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**Mary Carroll**

You are welcome.

It is my first haiku.

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**Merritt**

Mary! It is eloquent. You did really good!

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**Mary Carroll**

Thank you again.

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