



CONSIDER THE SENSE OF A GOOSE

When you see geese heading north for the winter flying along in "V" formation, you might be interested in knowing what science has discovered about why they fly that way. It has been learned that as each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier, because they are travelling on the thrust of one another.

Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone, and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front.

If we follow this approach we will stay in formation with those who are headed the same way we are going.

When the goose gets tired, he rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point.

It pays to take a turn doing the hard jobs - with people or with geese flying north.

The geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

What messages do we give when we honk from behind?

Finally, when a goose gets sick, or is wounded by gun shot and falls out, two geese fall out of formation and follow him down to help and protect him. They stay with him until he is either able to fly or is dead, and then they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their group.

If we have as much sense as the goose, we will stand by each other like that.