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December was a busy month kicking off with our first of three regional meetings of the month on December 1st with a video and discussion about how to respond to unhealthy behaviors. After six months of planning, Tim and Donna joined leaders from across the State for our Leadership Summit on December 4th. It was an uplifting and fun day to celebrate all the ways to be a leader. On December 15th we ran our regional holiday party with music and games. Steven C. stole the show as leader of our Simon Says, Holiday style! Donna presented about Self Direction to the Central Work Team on December 28th. On December 29th we looked back at the work of our regional group this year – coming together to speak up about the ISP, Covid, Self Direction, the Marriage Penalty and changes to Social Security, Stop the Shock and Supported Decision Making. A real highlight this year was finally coming together outdoors for a picnic in August followed by outings to Salem Willows and Bradley Palmer State Park. Looking ahead to the New Year Northeast Leaders want to create more videos to tell stories and let everyone know how we feel about being bullied and called the R word. We said goodbye to Becky Christie, our regional human rights coordinator but look forward to seeing her at a MEET UP in the future. On January 12th

we are electing our regional Vice Chair and Treasurer. January 26th we have guests from the Arc's Widening the Circle Project joining us to talk about Friendship. Happy 2022 to one and all.

