



Susie Kueppers found the train's rhythm restful.



Sister Marie Castagnaro escorts her students onto the



Maggie Board enjoys a cookie break during a stop.



Greg DeSmith dressed as an engineer for the train ride.



Chris Smith, Barbara Flaherty and Chris Eckert, left to right, relax during the trip.

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Some 220 school children from Guardian Angels school have found that learning from experience can be fun.

Their special lesson took the form of a field trip via the Livonia, Avon and Lakeview Railroad in June. The group, composed of kindergarten through sixth grade children, teachers and three volunteers, went as the guests of Dominic Tantillo, the school's custodian.

Tantillo, who has long been a railroad enthusiast and frequently rides the Livonia, Avon and Lakeville, wanted the children to share in his hobby.

The morning of the trip found enthusiasm running high as children left their classrooms at 9:15 a.m., beamed warm smiles and exchanged greetings with Tantillo who was helping in the loading of buses.

A "buddy" system had been arranged. The kindergarten children were accompanied by older children who watched after and helped them during the day.



Patrick Tassone enjoys a sandwich while stretching his hand out.