

## How You Can Get Involved:

- Become a patron by visiting and exchanging books.
- Become a volunteer by staffing the Exchange for a shift or as a substitute.
- Attend our special programs (see website: [bannerelkbookexchange.com](http://bannerelkbookexchange.com)).
- Donate your gently used books.
- Make donations to help with monthly operating costs and additional improvements.
- Give us suggestions on how to improve what we're doing!

**TO DONATE:** Please make out your check payable to *Town of Banner Elk* with "*Book Exchange*" noted on the memo line and mail to: **PO Box 2049 Banner Elk, NC 28604** or donate at the Book Exchange while you are there.

**TO RECEIVE NEWS** and a schedule of events in our e-mail newsletter, please contact: **BEbookexchange@gmail.com**

**TO VOLUNTEER**, please contact **Dusty Ross** at **dkross77@gmail.com**

**QUESTIONS?** Contact **Donna Dicks** at **dbdicks@skybest.com**

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## Many thanks to our generous supporters:

- High Country Charitable Foundation
- Dollar General Literacy Foundation
- Mountain Electric's Pocket Change
- Town of Banner Elk and the Tourism Development Authority
- Glenn and Carol Arthur and other private donors.

## Comments from the community

*"The idea of donating books for others to enjoy is very appealing."*

*"My grandchildren think this is a perfect spot to come and read."*

*"What a great idea! I love it!"*

*"This is a wonderful place to pick up a book while we're on vacation."*

*"We enjoy checking just to see what's new."*

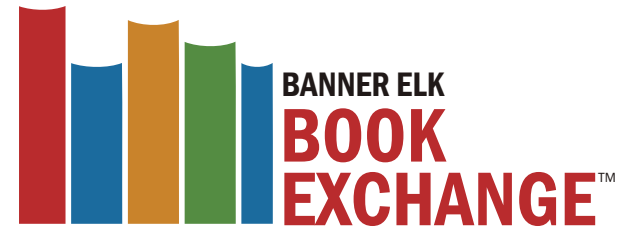
*"This is a comfortable gathering place to meet new people in the area."*



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Located in the  
**Historic Banner Elk School**  
185 Azalea Circle, Banner Elk, NC 28604



**Bring a book... take a book.**

**It's that easy!**

*Not a library...*

*No check out... No due dates...*

*No cost!*

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## Bring a Book, Take a Book! Seriously.

This local volunteer-run book exchange operates on the simple idea of sharing books with other people in our community. This is not a library - there is no check out, no due dates, no return of books required! Some books are marked with a "please return" sticker and we ask that you help us do this, so that others may enjoy the book.

If you have time, feel free to settle into a comfortable chair to read, browse through our selection of magazines, or bring the children in your life to explore our kids corner.



No book to exchange?  
No problem!  
You may make a small monetary donation instead.

### Operating hours are:

- Tuesday - Friday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Saturday 1-4 p.m. Summer only (May thru Oct.)
- Closed Sunday and Monday

## Materials Available:

- Adult fiction
- A wide variety of non-fiction including cookbooks, gardening, and history
- Books by local authors and of local interest
- Young adult books
- Children's books
- Current magazines and jigsaw puzzles

## Programs Offered

- **Adult Book Discussion Group** – Second Tuesday of each month, 4:15 p.m.
- **Enrichment Activities** – Through grants from High Country Charitable Foundation and Dollar General Literacy Foundation, we offer academic tutoring for students at Banner Elk Elementary School.



- **Explorers' Club**–Ages 7-12, monthly (Jan -Nov). Visit [www.NCexplorers.com](http://www.NCexplorers.com) for details.
- **Third Monday Bluegrass Jam** – 6:30 p.m.

## A Work in Progress!

We received generous donations from individuals and organizations which enabled us to open our doors in December 2015. We completely transformed Banner Elk's old elementary school library space into the Book Exchange which has served the community in these ways:

- Welcomed more than 6,000 patrons each year
- Averaged 13,000 donated books and 5,000 shared books annually
- Continued to explore new programs and services for all ages
- Provided free Wi-Fi internet service for patrons
- Created a warm, welcoming spot to chat and visit with friends

