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Telephones Go Berserk For 10,000 Maniacs

Slippery roads and snow-filled sidewalks didn't slow down the first two days of ticket sales for the "Jamestown Party" at Jamestown's Reg Lenna Civic Center.

The 8 p.m. Dec. 29 concert will feature the **10,000 Maniacs**, with an opening performance by the Jamestown High School Band and A Cappella choir.

Weather conditions simply caused fans to avoid the winter wonderland and turn to the telephone lines.

"The phone was berserk," said Philip Morris, executive director of the Arts Council for Chautauqua County. Then he laughed.

"It's caused cauliflower ear syndrome on the part of box office

volunteers and staff," he said.

Morris estimated two-thirds of the tickets were gone, with balcony and loge seating still available.

Tickets to the concert, a fundraiser for Jamestown's Reg Lenna Civic Center, are \$15 and \$25 for loge seats.

Brian Bogey, Jamestown High School's music director, said students are excited by the concert.

"We're pleased and proud to be part of the 10,000 Maniacs' concert," he said. "We have a lot of Maniacs fans within the ranks of the choir. This will be our 20th concert and last one for the season. We're very excited."

For more information, call the box office between 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. at 484-7070.