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With only a week to spare, Voter Education Project (VEP) officials have begun an intensive ticket sales drive for the group's annual fund-raising dinner next Monday night.

All the rush resulted from a last-minute notification from Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter that next Monday will be the only time he can be present, VEP executive director John Lewis explained. Carter is slated to be the keynote speaker.

Coretta Scott King told some 50 VEP supporters that this will be a crucial year for the organization, not only in getting people registered to vote but also enthusiastic enough to go to the polls.

"But you can't do any of these things if you don't have some resources," she said, pledging to sell several thousand dollars worth of tickets herself.

Tickets for the fund-raising event, to be held at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta hotel, cost \$100 apiece.