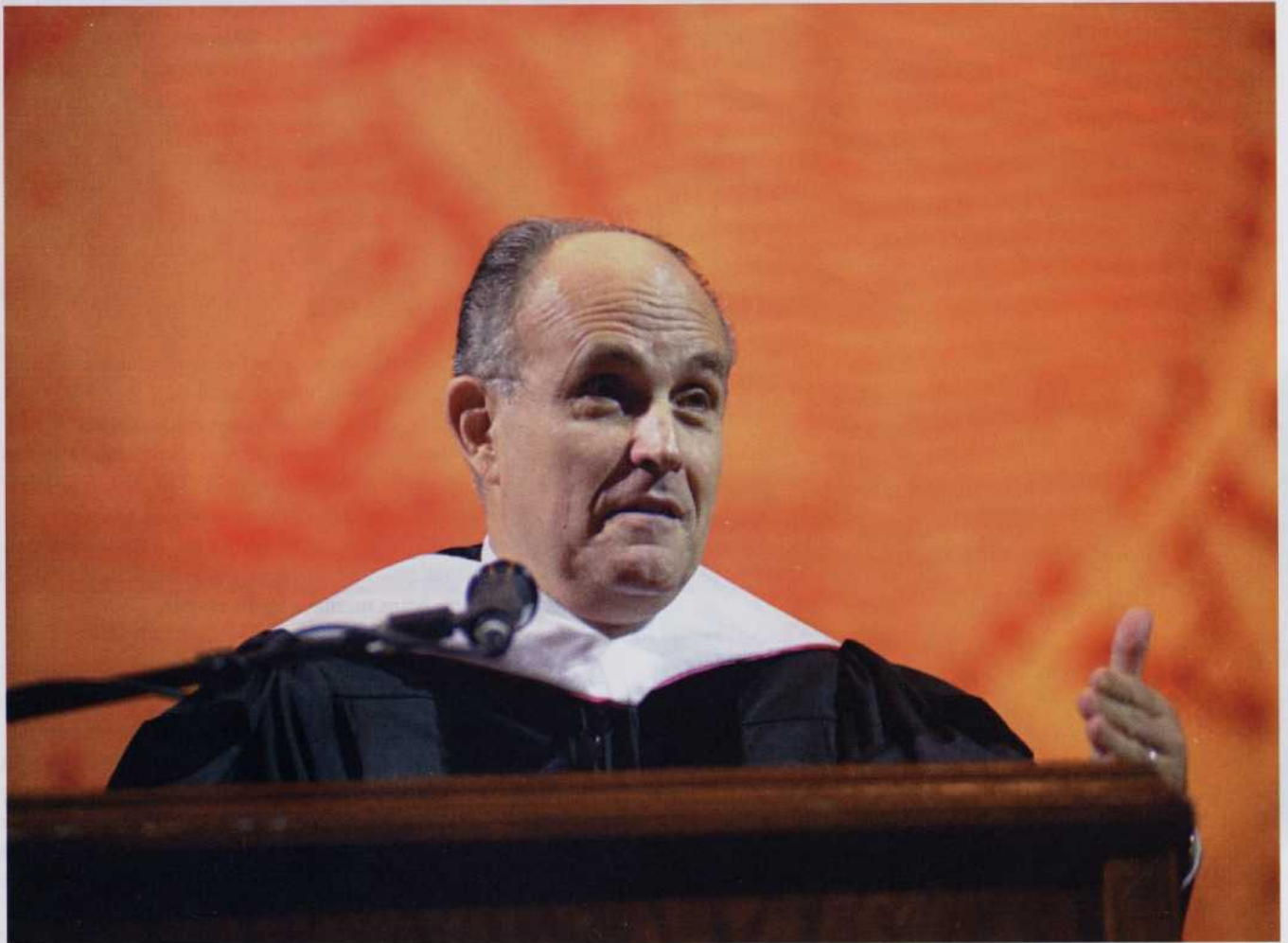


AMERICA'S MAYOR



In his address to an attentive convocation audience at Lloyd Noble Center, Giuliani drew from the traumatic experiences of the 9/11 bombing of the World Trade Center and its aftermath to explore the principles of leadership.

Rudolf Giuliani, the former mayor of New York City who won the admiration of a nation and the world for his courageous performance in the aftermath of 9/11, came to the University of Oklahoma February 23, 2004, to receive an honorary doctor of humane letters degree and talk to the Lloyd Noble Center convocation crowd on the principles of leadership. He then met briefly with student leaders and joined the President's Associates for dialogue and dinner in the Union Ballroom.

In his LNC speech he outlined six

points for effective leadership:

(1) Have strong beliefs—you need to know who you are before you can lead others;

(2) Be an optimist—remain calm, stay focused and find a solution;

(3) Have courage—fear does not preclude courage;

(4) Be prepared—something unexpected will happen, but being prepared for every other sort of emergency will help you handle the unimaginable;

(5) Understand teamwork—know your strengths and weakness and how to balance them;

(6) Communicate—if you can figure out the other five principles, you can communicate by just talking to people.

In his dinner dialogue with President David L. Boren, Giuliani added a seventh principle: Have a sense of humor. He recounted the days following the World Trade Center bombing when people looked at him to see how he reacted to determine how they would react, when attending funeral after funeral for the victims broke his days of round-the-clock recovery duties. "We are going to have to learn," Giuliani concluded, "how to cry and laugh on the same day." —CJB



Mayor Giuliani signs in at the Boyd House as he and his host, President David Boren, left, meet with OU student leaders.



Rain did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of Rudolph Giuliani, right, as he approached Lloyd Noble Center, accompanied by his Crimson Club student host, Nathaniel Scott, left, for the academic convocation.

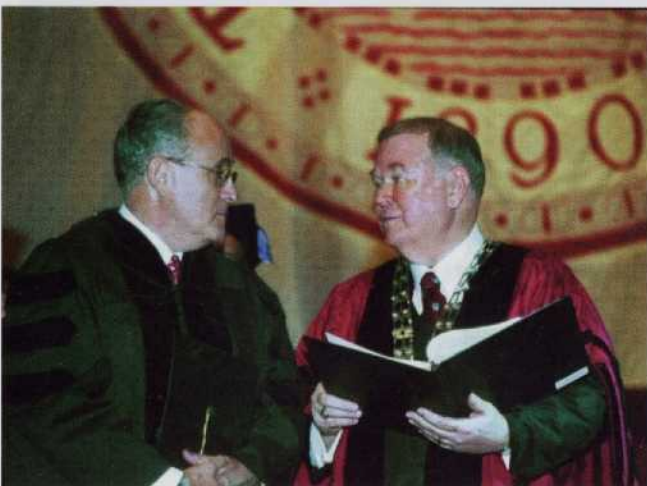


President Boren checks his notes with honoree Rudolph Giuliani and the platform party of OU administrators.



A President's Associates dinner in the Union Ballroom, honoring the former New York City mayor, was preceded by an informal dialogue between Giuliani and President Boren and an opportunity for questions from the audience.

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OU President Boren, right, reads the citation conferring upon former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani the University's honorary doctor of humane letters degree.