

POOR PEOPLE

1 Yesterday I went with my mom and dad to the
2 homeless shelter. I was surprised at how many people
3 were there. You just don't think about stuff like this.

4 They had a big tent there. In the tent were cots
5 with blankets and pillows and stuff. Mom said that all
6 the stuff was donated, but there still wasn't enough
7 to go around. This is the reason we went there, to
8 take some old blankets and clothing. I gave this one
9 man one of my dad's old jackets. He looked like he
10 was a hundred years old. He was very grateful. He
11 told me he once had good job, but he got laid off and
12 couldn't find anything to do. Even though he looked
13 tired and old, he was very kind and had nice eyes and
14 a nice smile. I couldn't believe it when I found out he
15 was only forty years old. My dad is the same age, but
16 he looks healthy and young. When I mentioned this
17 to my dad, he said it's easy to look young when you
18 have hope. I think I understand: