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The lady above us killed her sister  
by grating glass into her salad—  
we found out while polishing off  
turkey grinders in the kitchen.

Did she mistake the shards  
for cheese bits or gritty Caesar?  
Carol thinks she was too sauced  
to notice. We were always finding

empty bottles shattered on the stairs.  
Lucy says the lady should fry  
but she's never had a sister. I do,  
and once dragged my nails down

her throat over the last pancake.  
Dad jumped up, clasped his napkin  
to her neck while Mom scrubbed  
my hands under the kitchen spout.

Now I ask Carol, death's expert,  
"What would kill you, blood loss?"  
"Suffocation," she says  
and slides her plate into the sink.

Maggie Glover, '05