

## **A new way to Color Easter Eggs—the Armenian Way!**

### **Challenge Your Family Members to an Egg-Cracking Contest**



We have all dyed Easter eggs the traditional way with store bought food colors. This year try something different using your leftover onionskins. That's right! No need to buy anything. So easy to make. Just put the discarded skins from yellow onions into a pot of water with your eggs, and *voila!* You will have beautiful and uniquely colored eggs that you can use in your egg-cracking contest, another Armenian tradition. This would also be a special way to **commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian genocide.**

The recipe and egg-cracking instructions are included in my new children's book, *Mariam's Easter Parade*. In this light-hearted story, Mariam might be too small to help with the Easter preparations, but she is clever enough to celebrate with her own special parade!

The book is based on grandmother's life in "the old country." Easter is a major holiday for the Armenia people. Not only do they celebrate their Christian religion, but they also mark the occasion with food, festivities, and egg-fighting contests.

*Mariam's Easter Parade* is available on [Amazon.com](#) as well as many independent books stores.

