Female Contributions to Scandal in Mathematics

This presentation is primarily historical in nature. The history of mathematics is infused with scandal. Although not widely known, it is none the less very true. Throughout history it has been deemed inappropriate for a woman to study mathematics until recent times, and even now in many cultures it is frowned upon. Although culturally it was unacceptable to study mathematics, some women found a way to make their contributions anyway. This presentation will include various women's contributions to mathematics and the scandal that surrounded these contributions. The women of primary focus will be Ada Byron Lovelace, Sophie Germain, and Mileva Maric, each of whom made great strides in the field of mathematics.