Anne McEvoy as baseball phenom Alta Weiss at the Baseball Heritage Museum at League Park, Cleveland on March 24, 2018.
Mural at League park over the original stairs of the dugout.
Cy Young was Alta’s favorite baseball player
Alta Weiss (2/9/1890 - 2/12/1964)

Dr. Alta Weiss was born and is buried in Berlin (Holmes County), grew up and retired in Ragersville (Tuscarawas County), practiced medicine in Norwalk (Huron County), and played baseball on an all-male team in Vermilion (Lorain/Erie County). She put herself through medical school at Starling College of Medicine (later Ohio State University Medical College) with money she earned playing ball. She was the only female in her class to graduate with a medical degree! A woman ahead of her time, she was both exceptional and eccentric and she **did** play ball in a skirt!

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