

Book Synopsis

Rubber Babes: Further Misadventures of Rollo Hemphill by Gerald Everett Jones

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Who's being paranoid? Sometimes they *really* are out to get you!

Second in the series of Rollo Hemphill's pathetic pursuits of happiness, *Rubber Babes* finds the hapless former car jockey settled down in the happily-ever-after. He's married the comely Felicia Ferrulo, the Sicilian hottie of his dreams, whom he tricked into paying attention to him in *My Inflatable Friend* by driving a life-sized sex doll around town to make her jealous. His former life as a sniveling valet in a swank Beverly Hills hotel seems ancient history now, as he leverages his failed career as a shock-jock deejay to become the Keppelhoffer Foundation's director. It's a cushy job with a six-figure salary arranged for him by his former nemesis, retired soap-star Monica LaMonica.

Rollo's marriage seems shaky from the start, and matters aren't helped by the titillating attentions of the gorgeous assistant at his new job, Valerie Valhalla. The misguided Rollo seeks consolation with a succession of women he calls "rubber babes," meaning prophylactic mandatory. He eventually realizes he's clueless both as an executive running a charity and as a romantic partner. For one thing, it takes him far too long to discover that Keppelhoffer's Syndrome is an extremely rare and bizarre form of erectile dysfunction and that the multimillion-dollar charity itself may be little more than a money laundry for payoff s to Big Pharma and crooked politicians.

Rollo's newfound friend and advisor, Dr. Dieter Zittpopper ("Zitts"), is a high-paid consultant with a mission—to see that Rollo plays along as the innocuous figurehead of a mega-scam—and to make sure he takes the fall if the G-men ever come calling.

Once again, trouble has found Rollo. It will take all his wits and boyish charm to untangle his sexual relationships and avoid taking the rap for an international fraud.

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