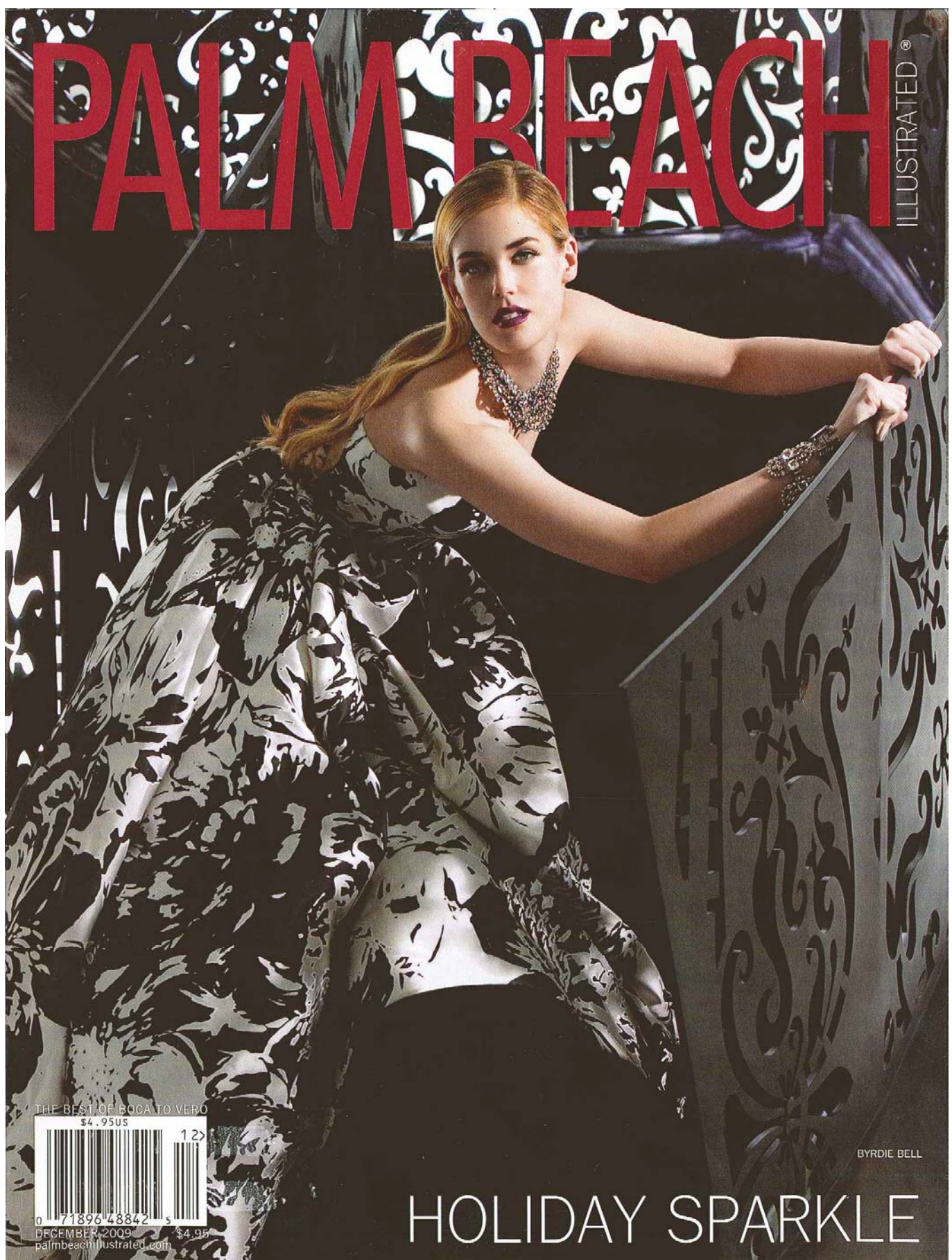


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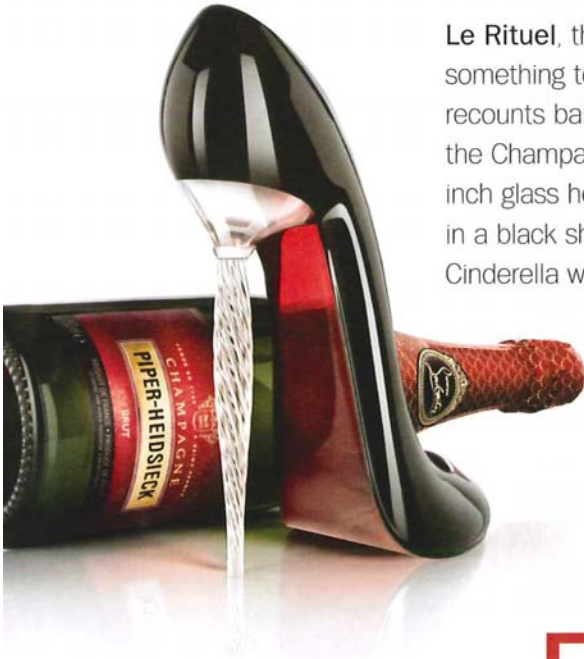


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HOLIDAY SPARKLE

A LEGENDARY TOAST



Le Rituel, the first-ever Christian Louboutin and Piper-Heidsieck collaboration, is something to behold. Inspired by the Bolshoi Ballet legend from the 1880s, which recounts ballerinas serving Champagne from their slippers to gentlemen spectators, the Champagne flute is reinvented in the shape of a decadent and architectural 5.5-inch glass heel. The black crystal stiletto with its transparent red sole is presented in a black shoebox containing a bottle of Champagne Piper-Heidsieck Cuvée Brut. Cinderella would be jealous. le-rituel.com

THAT'S A WRAP

According to the Clean Air Council, the United States accumulates 4 million tons of waste in wrapping paper and shopping bags every holiday. This season *PBI* says "no" to wrapping paper and "yes" to the **Bobo Wrapping Scarf**. The decorative wrap is the elegant and ecofriendly alternative to tape, scissors and paper. It's reusable, so recipients can rewrap holiday after holiday. bobowrap.com



MORE TO LOVE

To stir up the local economy, **Worth Avenue Association** is extending shopping hours to 7 p.m. during the holidays. The extended hours begin on November 27 and every Thursday through December 17. (561-659-6909, worth-avenue.com)

TO AFRICA WE GO

The 2009 **Gucci Campaign to Benefit UNICEF** is wild. With the help of illustrator/author Michael Roberts, Gucci has launched *Snowman in Africa*, the sequel to his children's book *Snowman in Paradise*, and a line of accessories featuring the book's main characters. We love the Joy bag with patchwork detail of a worried snowman tangled up with a snake. Twenty-five percent of the retail price of the accessories and 100 percent of the retail price of the book will be donated to UNICEF. *Gucci, Palm Beach* (561-655-6955, gucci.com)



SPIN ME ROUND

While cycling outdoors has its benefits, there also are downsides like bad weather—and bad drivers. The newly opened **Velocity Cycling Studio** is bicycle friendly every day of the week. Traditional spin classes are offered, as well as "real life" cycling races where DVDs of professional bike races are played on television screens and instructors simulate race elements like pulls and attacks. *West Palm Beach* (561-247-2453, vcyclingstudio.com)