

MAN ARRESTED IN 2005 FATAL SHOOTING AT CLUB

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A Detroit man on the state's most-wanted list is behind bars after police arrested him Sunday in Harper Woods on charges that he shot eight people - killing two - at an after-hours club in September 2005.

Police say **Samuel Bridges**, 27, sprayed bullets from an AK47 assault rifle into a crowd at an illegal gambling and drinking club on the 8800 block of Canfield on Detroit's east side.

"He shot everybody up," said Detroit Police Sgt. Steve Ford, a member of the Eastern task force. "We knew it was him since it happened."

Bridges is expected to be arraigned today on two counts of first-degree murder and six counts of assault with intent to commit murder.

A tip led police to Bridges' girlfriend's house on Old Homestead, where he was arrested in the living room without incident, police said. Officials are mulling whether to charge his girlfriend - an employee of the Michigan Department of Corrections - with aiding and abetting.

Police said the shooting occurred after a fight for which Bridges was kicked out, but he returned and opened fire.

Bridges, who goes by the street name Bino, had been on Detroit's most-wanted list, too.

"Eventually, people are going to realize you can run, but you can't hide," said Sgt. Eren Stephens Bell, a Detroit police spokeswoman.

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CAPTION: **Samuel Bridges**

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