NAME

ost::Lockfile −

This class is used to create a 'named' lock entity that can be used to control access to a resource between multiple processes.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <process.h>
```

Public Member Functions

Lockfile (const char *name)
Create a lock under a known name.

Lockfile ()
Create a new lock object that can be used to make locks.

~Lockfile ()
Destroy the current lock and release it.

bool **lock** (const char *name)
Lock a system-wide name for this process.

void **unlock** (void)
Release an acquired lock.

bool **isLocked** (void)
Flag if the current process has aqcuired a lock.

Detailed Description

This class is used to create a 'named' lock entity that can be used to control access to a resource between multiple processes.

The posix implimentation uses a pidfile and the win32 version uses a globally visible mutex.

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Constructor & Destructor Documentation

ost::Lockfile::Lockfile (const char * name)
Create a lock under a known name. **Parameters:**
name of system-wide lock to create.

ost::Lockfile::Lockfile ()
Create a new lock object that can be used to make locks.

ost::Lockfile::~Lockfile () `[inline]`
Destroy the current lock and release it.

Member Function Documentation

bool ost::Lockfile::isLocked (void)
Flag if the current process has aqcuired a lock. **Returns:**
true if we have the lock.

bool ost::Lockfile::lock (const char * name)
Lock a system-wide name for this process. If the lock is successful, return true. If an existing lock was already acquired, release it first.

Returns:
true if lock successful.

Parameters:
name system-wide lock to use.

void ost::Lockfile::unlock (void)
Release an acquired lock.

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